Twenty-fourth Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1909.

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.

E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill,
S. E. Kellogg.

Town Clerk.

William H. Jordan.

Treasurer.

E. D. Bancroft.

Tax Collector.

E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor.

A. A. Messinger.

Assessors.

Wm. Bancroft, Term expires 1910.
H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1911.
W. S. Hague, Clerk, Term expires 1912.

School Committee.

Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1910.
Harriet B. Sornborger, Term expires 1911.
H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1912.

Trustees of Public Library.

F. H. French, Term expires 1910.
Anna M. Bancroft, Term expires 1911.
E. L. Osgood, Term expires 1912.

Road Commissioners.

Charles E. Pierce, Term expires 1910.
G. A. Draper, Term expires 1911.
E. D. Osgood, Term expires 1912.

Park Commissioners.

CHARLES F. ROPER, Term expires 1910.
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER, Term expires 1911.
FRANK J. DUTCHER. Term expires 1912.

Constables.

ROBERT ROSS, WALTER F. DURGIN, H. B. LEONARD,
J. M. FRENCH, E. C. BARROWS.

Field Drivers.

SYLVESTER L. MADDEN, J. M. FRENCH,
FRANK GASKILL.

Tree Warden.

C. E. NUTTING.

Surveyor of Lumber.

B. L. HODGDON.

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

Engineers of Fire Department.

SAMUEL E. KELLOGG, Chief.
C. E. PIERCE, 1st Asistant.
J. B. CHAPIN, Clerk and Treasurer.

Police Officers.

S. E. KELLOGG, A. F. FAIRBANKS, W. E. DAY,
CHARLES W. WHEELER, WARREN F. GASKILL, C. C. DOWNING,
ALEX HOLLIS, THOMAS MATTHEWS, R. H. GIRVIN,
GEO. W. JENKINS, E. A. SHERMAN, SAM'L OLIVANT,
SYLVESTER L. MADDEN, W. N. PRENTISS, W. L. BENNETT,
F. A. SPAULDING, GEO. E. KENT, JOHN GALLOWAY
HUGH MEARS, W. C. MCDONALD, A. J. NEWELL,
F. W. NEWELL.

Fire Warden.

W. F. Durgin.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Sylvester L. Madden, Walter F. Durgin, A. A. Westcott,
W. H. Barney, J. Stuart Cox, F. A. Card,

Public Weighers.

A. A. Westcott, J. Stuart Cox, Daniel E. Murphy,
C. S. Cushman, Ellie Stevens, Henry McCarthy.

Fire Police.

Robert Ross.

Weighers of Coal.

W. H. Barney, F. A. Card.

Inspector of Cattle.

Frank Gaskill.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions.

Waldo Phipps.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Charles W. Wheeler.

Town Counsel.

Wendell Williams.

Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.
THOMAS H. BRADLEY.

Agent Board of Health to Sign Burial Permits.
WILLIAM H. JORDAN.

Registrars of Voters.
W. H. GRAYSON, Term expires 1910.
H. F. SEARLES, Term expires 1911.
HENRY MARKHAM, Term expires 1912.
W. H. JORDAN, Clerk.

Dog Officer.
WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Superintendent of Schools.
F. G. ATWELL.

Truant Officers.
WARREN F. GASKILL, C. C. DOWNING,
H. B. LEONARD, F. G. ATWELL.

APPOINTED BY PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Superintendent of Parks.
WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Librarian.
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Town Records.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires in the following named streets and highways of said town.

Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires, owned by the town and used for municipal purposes.

Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Hartford Avenue, from end of our present line to the Bellingham Town line, one pole.

The New England Telephone and
Telegraph Company of
Massachusetts.
By R. H. Keller,
Div. Supt. of Plant.

January 15, 1909.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN,

Hopedale, Massachusetts, Jan. 22, 1909.

Voted:—That, The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in acordance with the following specifications:

The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway.

After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Hartford Avenue, from the end of our present line to Bellingham Town line, one pole.

Signatures of Selectmen. { E. A. DARLING,
S. E. KELLOGG,

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the Records of the Town of Hopedale, Book 2, page 40.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

We hereby certify that on January 22, 1909, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., at Town Hall Building, a public hearing was held on the petition of The New England Telephone & Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed and that we mailed, at least three days before said hearing, a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said company under said specification.

E. A. DARLING,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE.

Board of Road Commissioners.

February 26, 1909.

Upon the petition of certain residents of said town, asking that a town way or street be laid out extending northerly from Northrop street,beyond Dennett street to land of the Draper Company, we, the board of road commissioners of said town, gave notice, as required by law to all owners of land over which said way is laid out, and to all abutters on said way, of our intention to lay out said way, and in accordance with said notice we met upon the location of said proposed way, and heard all parties interested; and we have determined and adjudicated that public necessity and convenience require the laying out of a town way or street in accordance with said petition, and we have laid out and do hereby lay out a town way or street, the boundaries and measurements of which way or street are as follows, namely:—

Beginning at a stone bound in the northerly line of Northrop street, at land of Joseph Northrop, and extending N. 11° 30 minutes W. 834.8 feet to an iron in a wall at land of the Draper Company, said line being the easterly boundary of said way or street; thence S. 86° 30 minutes W. with the Draper Company's land, 49.6 feet to a stone bound in the ground at land of George G. Greenwood, thence S. 11° 28 minutes E. 848 feet, across the end of Dennett street, to a stone bound in said northerly line of Northrop street, said line last described being the westerly boundary of said street or way.

Said way as laid out extends over lands of Henry L. Patrick, and is abutted easterly on lands of Joseph Northrop, John P. Connolly, John Galloway, James Craddock, Nils P. Danielson and Freeman B. Arey, northerly on land of the Draper Company, westerly on lands of George G. Greenwood, Edwin A. Scriven, Draper Company, Joseph A. Miller and Francis H. Buxton; said lay-out being in accordance with a plan thereof filed herewith in

the office of the town clerk, made by G. C. Eastman, C. E., dated February, 1909, and marked, "Plan of Park Street, Hopedale, Mass.," said town way or street to be known as Park street; and we have laid out said way under the provisions of law permitting the assessment of betterments, and we have determined that there is no damage to any owner or abutter by reason of said lay-out, and we assess no damages to any owner or abutter therefor.

CHAS. E. PIERCE,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
C. H. DRAPER,
Board of Road Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., February 26, 1909.

Filed in the office of the Town Clerk on February 26, 1909.

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk of Hopedale.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

MARCH 1, 1909.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall,

on Monday, the First day of March, next, punctually at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, (the polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting), to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The following officers to be voted for. Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector, Auditor, Selectmen, one Road Commissioner for three years, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, Fence Viewers, one Assessor to serve three years, one member of the School Committee to serve for three years, five constables, one Trustee of Public Library to serve three years, one Park Comissioner to serve three years, one Tree Warden to serve for one year; and a Surveyor of Lumber for one year; also to bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?" and to bring in their ballots "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1908, entitled 'An act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire,' be accepted by this town?"

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Engineers of the Fire Department, and any other officers and committees of said Town.

Article 4. To raise such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing, and appropriate the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will instruct the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1909.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate fifty dollars toward defraying the expense of Memorial Day.

Article 7. To see if any discount will be allowed on taxes paid on or before the first of September, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see what disposition the Town will make of money refunded from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. To see what compensation the Town will allow the collector of taxes for his services.

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to locate additional street lights, raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the purchase of additional apparatus for fire protection, raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action in regard to the matter.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, or any other sum, for the alteration and repair of Main street as re-located, and authorize and empower its board of road commissioners to contract for the work connected therewith, if they shall deem wise, or take any other action in regard to said Main street or the alteration and repair of the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to be expended under the direction of the school committee or otherwise, for the purpose of grading the grounds and completing work in and about the high school building, or take any action in relation to the foregoing.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Clerk of said Town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 18th day of February, A. D., 1909.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., March 1, 1909.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN.
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1909.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall and punctually at nine o'clock were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. The polls being declared open, balloting for town officers for "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?" also in answer "Yes" or "No" to the following question, "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1908,

entitled 'An act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire,' be accepted by this town?" then proceeded.

Article 3. Voted: That the report of the selectmen, overseers of poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and all other officers of the town be accepted as printed.

Article 4. Voted: That the chair appoint a finance committee of nine, who shall retire,and recommend a list of appropriations for the year ensuing.

The chair appointed the following named persons to act on this committee: E. A Darling, chairman; Eben D. Bancroft, Frank H. French, Frank J. Dutcher, Geo. A. Draper, Wilmarth A. Westcott, Charles E. Pierce, Clare H. Draper, Howard W. Bracken.

Voted: To accept the report of the above committee as read by the Secretary, Howard W. Bracken,and act upon the same, item by item.

Voted: Unanimously, to raise and appropriate for heating, care, teaching, fuel, supplies, text books, improvements, repairs

and supervision of schools	$15,000 00
For support of library (exclusive of dog tax)	2,800 00
For highway department, general account,	5,500 00
For highway department, Adin street	1,200 00
For highway department, watering streets	1,450 00
For highway department, sidewalks	500 00
For fire department, general account	2,175 00
For fire department, forest fires	100 00
For fire department, new hose	200 00
For incidental department	3,000 00
For water for fire purposes	2,250 00
For street lighting account	3,700 00
For interest account	300 00
For Town Hall account	500 00
For state and county tax	16,000 00
For use of tree warden	500 00
For poor department	800 00
For board of health	300 00

For park commission.....	2.500 00
For loan account authorized, July 9, 1908.....	10,000 00

Article 5. Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Hopedale, in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the town treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the majority of the board of selectmen, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate $30,000 (thirty thousand dollars), and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to defray the expenses of Memorial day, said amount to be paid Post 22, G. A. R.

Article 7. Voted: To allow a discount of two per cent. on all taxes paid on or before September 1st.

Article 8. Voted: To turn over to the library the money refunded to the town from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. Voted: That the collector of taxes be allowed one-half of one per cent. for his services.

Article 10. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to locate six additional street lights (the additional cost of same being included in the appropriation for street lighting).

Article 12. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft it was

Voted: That the chair appoint a committee of five, which should include the fire engineers, to look up the matter of better fire protection and report at a later meeting.

The chair appointed the fire engineers, Mr. E. D. Bancroft, and Mr. Geo. A. Draper, as members of this committee.

Article 13. Voted: That the sum of $10,000 be raised and appropriated for the alteration and repair of Main street as relocated, and authorize and empower its board of road commissioners to contract for the work connected therewith if they shall deem wise.

Article 14. Voted: That the sum of $500 be raised and appropriated the same to be expended under the direction of the school committee, for the purpose of grading the grounds, and completing work in and about the high school building.

Punctually at one o'clock the polls were declared closed, the ballots cast were counted, the result declared as follows:

License, "Yes" 0. "No" 109.

An act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands, accept, 83, reject, 4.

There were 126 ballots cast for each of the following town officers:

Town clerk, Wm. H. Jordan.
Treasurer, E. D. Bancroft.
Collector, E. S. Stimpson.
Auditor, A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, overseers of poor, board of health and fence viewers, E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, S. E. Kellogg.
Assessor for three years, W. S. Hague.
Road commissioner for three years, E. D. Osgood.
School committee for three years, H. W. Bracken.
Trustee of town library for three years, E. L. Osgood.

Constables, Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, J. M. French, H. B. Leonard, E. C. Barrows.
Field drivers, S. L. Madden, J. M. French, Frank Gaskill.
Tree warden, C. E. Nutting.
Park commissioner for three years, Frank J. Dutcher.
Surveyor of lumber, Benj. L. Hodgdon.

Of the above named town officers, the following were present and were sworn by the town clerk to the faithful performance of their duties:—

E. A. Darling, W. S. Hague, Walter F. Durgin, A. A. Messinger, Robert Ross, J. M. French, E. S. Stimpson, E. D. Bancroft, H. B. Leonard.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

March 30, 1909.

The board of selectmen, town clerk and constable Robert Ross, met at the selectmen's room, Town Hall, March 30th, 1909, at 7.30 p. m. and Selectman S. E. Kellogg drew from the juror box the name of William Bancroft to serve as Traverse Juror at Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Worcester on the second Tuesday in April, 1909.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 2, 1909.

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale hereby grants a permit to The Adams Express Co. residing at Depot Street, to transport spirituous or intoxicating liquors into or in the town of Hopedale, subject to all the laws now or hereafter in force relative to the Transportation of Liquors, until the first day of May, 1910.

This permit is granted and accepted upon the express condition that the person or persons above named shall conform to all the requirements of the law; and that in case of any breach of said requirements this permit shall become null and void.

In testimony whereof, the undersigned have hereunto affixed their official signatures this second day of April, 1909.

E. A. DARLING,
Chairman of Selectmen.

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

A true copy of permit. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

APRIL 9, 1909.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs,to meet at the Town Hall, on Friday, the ninth day of April current, punctually at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the laying out of a town way to be called Park Street, extending northerly from Northrop street to land of the Draper Company, as reported by the board of road commissioners, and raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars or any other sum for the construction of said street, and to authorize the board of road commissioners to contract for said construction or

any portion of the same if said board shall deem wise, or take any action in relation to any of the foregoing.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of any committee appointed by the town.

Article 4. To see if the town will authorize the engineers of the fire department to locate and install a fire alarm box on Northrop street, raise and appropriate money or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will grant the Hopedale Alumni Association the free use of the Town Hall one night in the year for the purpose of holding a reunion of said association.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Clerk of said Town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 30th day of March, A. D., 1909.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN
Constable of Hopedale.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

W. F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, APRIL 9, 1909.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in town affairs, met at Town Hall and punctually at 7.30 o'clock, were called to order by the Clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. Voted: That the town do accept and allow the laying out of the town way to be called Park Street, as reported by the Board of Road Commissioners, and that the sum of ($6,000) six thousand dollars be and hereby is raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing said street, and that the board of road commissioners be and hereby are authorized to contract in the name of the town for all or any portion of said construction as it may deem wise.

Article 3. Mr. S. E. Kellogg for the committee on fire apparatus reported progress.

Article 4. Voted: That the town authorize the engineers of the fire department to locate and install a fire alarm box on Northrop street, and that the sum of ($110) one hundred and ten dollars be raised and appropriated for the same.

Article 5.
Voted: Unanimously, to pass the article.
Voted: To dissolve the warrant. (17 voters present)

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 30, 1909.

This is to certify that a sixth class liquor license was this day granted to Josiah J. Gibbs, druggist, Harrison Block, Hopedale,

(to expire May 1, 1910) by the selectmen of said town.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

May 13, 1909.

This to certify that in compliance with Chapter 48, Section 97 of the revised laws, I have this day prepared certified copies of the layout of Northrop street, and of Park street, and have forwarded same to the Town Counsel, Mr. Wendell Williams, to be forwarded to the Register of Deeds.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires in the following named streets and highways of said town. A plan showing locations of poles herein petitioned for is to be filed.

Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires, owned by the town and used for municipal purposes. Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Relocation of poles on West Main street from Adin street, south a distance of twelve poles.

Date May 4, 1909.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts.

By R. H. KELLER, MacL.
Division Superintendent of Plant.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

Hopedale, Mass., May 19, 1909.

Voted: That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated. A plan of locations hereby granted is to be filed.

All constructions under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the traveled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Relocation of poles on West Main street from Adin street, south, a distance of 12 poles.

Signatures of Selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG.

This permit is recorded in the Records of the Town of Hopedale, Book 2, Page 55.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

July 17, 1909.

This is to certify that Wm. S. Hague was this day ap-

pointed to act as assistant Town Clerk, in the absence of the Town Clerk.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

AUGUST 9, 1909.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the ninth day of August current, punctually at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To hear the report of any Committee appointed by the Town, or take any action on said report.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the purchase of additional fire apparatus, as recommended by its committee; or take any action in relation to the purchase of fire apparatus.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money for the purchase of fire apparatus, or take any action in relation to this matter.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with

your doings thereon, to the Clerk of said Town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 29th day of July, A. D., 1909.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

I have complied with the requirements of this Warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

W. F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, AUGUST 9, 1909.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, met at the Town Hall, on Monday, August 9th, 1909, at 7.30 o'clock p. m. and punctually at said hour were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. E. A. Darling was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. Voted: To accept the report of the committee appointed to look up fire apparatus, and that same be discharged.

Article 3. Voted: That the town purchase additional fire apparatus as recommended by its committee, and a committee

consisting of the Treasurer and engineers be empowered to make such purchase.

Article 4. Voted: That the town do borrow a sum not exceeding $5,000 to be expended under the direction of the Treasurer, for the purchase of additional fire apparatus, and that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to borrow said sum in the name and behalf of the town, and to issue therefor the negotiable note or notes of the town, to be signed by the Treasurer, and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen, and to bear such rate of interest, not exceeding 6 per cent., payable semi-annually, and to be payable at such time or times, not later than Jan. 1, 1911, as the Treasurer shall deem wise.

Voted: That a committee be appointed to look up a piece of fire apparatus containing a pump. The Treasurer and Board of engineers were appointed to serve on this committee.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

September 17, 1909.

This is to certify that Frank S. Clark was this day appointed to act as Assistant Town Clerk during my absence from Town from Sept. 18th to 25th, inclusive.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

October 11, 1909.

Selectmen E. A. Darling and S. E. Kellogg, town clerk, and Constable Robert Ross, met at the Selectmen's room, Town Hall, Oct. 11, 1909, at 7.30 o'clock p. m. and Selectman S. E. Kellogg drew from the Juror Box the name of Henry M. Bates to serve as traverse juror at our Superior Court, to be holden at

Worcester, within and for our County of Worcester, on the third Monday of October current.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

NOVEMBER 2, 1909.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Tuesday, the Second day of November, A. D., 1909, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in their ballots to the Selectmen for Governor; Lieutenant-Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney-General; Councillor; Senator; two Representatives in the General Court; County Commissioner; and County Treasurer; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

The polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting.

At 12 o'clock noon of the above mentioned Second day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the above-described inhabitants qualified by law to vote in town affairs to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To hear the report of any Committees appointed by the Town, and act thereon.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the fire engineers to locate a hydrant on or near William street, for the better protection of property in that vicinity, and appropriate money for the purpose or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the fire engineers to sell and dispose of any fire apparatus or equipment belonging to the town, and that is no longer necessary for the use of the town by reason of new apparatus or equipment having been purchased to take the place thereof, or take any action in relation to the foregoing.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Clerk of said Town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 21st day of October, A. D., 1909.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

Nov. 2, 1909.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy of the warrant and doings thereon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 2, 1909.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, after which the polls were declared open.

The cards of instructions and sample ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor.

The ballot box registered at zero, and was shown to be empty.

The ballot box was locked and the keys delivered to Constable Walter F. Durgin.

Voting then proceeded.

At 12 o'clock noon, there was a meeting of the above described inhabitants and under Article 1,

Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen Moderator.

Article 2. No reports.

Article 3. Voted: That the fire engineers be authorized to locate a hydrant on or near William Street for the better protection of property in that vicinity, and that $300 be appropriated therefor.

Article 4. Voted: That the Fire Engineers be authorized to sell and dispose of the old Hook and Ladder truck belonging to the Town, new equipment having been purchased to take the place thereof.

Voted: To close the polls at 4.37 o'clock, this being the hour of sunset.

At 12.35 o'clock, the ballot box which registered 412 was opened by Constable Walter F. Durgin, and 412 ballots taken therefrom, the tellers being duly sworn as the law directs, counting proceeded. At 3.15 o'clock, the ballot box, which now regis-

tered 473 was again opened by Constable Durgin, and 61 more ballots taken therefrom.

Promptly at 4.37 o'clock, the polls were declared closed. The ballot box now registered 482 and 9 more ballots taken therefrom, making a total of 482. 482 names had been checked on the voting list and 482 names had been checked on the ballot clerk's list.

The result was declared in open meeting as follows:

Governor.

Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale, Republican	425
John A. Nichols, of Boston, Prohibition	9
Moritz E. Ruther, of Holyoke, Socialist Labor	0
James H. Vahey, of Watertown, Democrat	33
Daniel A. White, of Brockton, Socialist	7
Blanks	8

Lieutenant-Governor.

Eugene N. Foss, of Boston, Democrat	55
Louis A. Frothingham, of Boston, Republican	393
George G. Hall, of Boston, Socialist	5
Ernest R. Knipe, of Holyoke, Prohibition	11
Lawrence Yates, of New Bedford, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	17

Secretary.

David T. Clark, of Williamstown, Democrat	39
Harriet D'Orsay, of Lynn, Socialist	5
Henry C. Hess, of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
William G. Merrill, of Malden, Prohibition	13
William M. Olin, of Boston, Republican	391
Blanks	33

Treasurer.

James H. Bryan, of Westfield, Democrat	36
James B. Carr, of Chelmsford, Socialist	6
David Craig, of Milford, Socialist Labor	3
Daniel Parlin, of Worcester, Prohibition	7
Elmer A. Stevens, of Somerville, Republican	393
Blanks	37

Auditor.

Alexis Boyer, Jr., of Southbridge, Democrat	31
Charles A. Chase, of Swansea, Prohibition	9
Sylvester J. McBride, of Watertown, Socialist	6
Jeremiah P. McNally, of Salem, Socialist Labor	2
Henry E. Turner, of Malden, Republican	391
Blanks	43

Attorney-General.

Henry M. Dean, of Hyde Park, Prohibition	11
John A. Fredrikson, of Quincy, Socialist Labor	0
Dana Malone, of Greenfield, Republican	391
Harvey N. Shepard, of Boston, Democrat	36
John Weaver Sherman, of Boston, Socialist	6
Blanks	38

Councillor.

J. Lovell Johnson, of Fitchburg, Republican	398
Harlan C. Whitcomb, of Fitchburg, Socialist	9
Abel S. Wolfe, of Auburn, Democrat	32
Blanks	43

Senator (Fourth Worcester District.)

George F. Birch, of Milford, Republican	354
John F. Meaney, of Blackstone, Democrat	91
Blanks	37

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (9TH WORCESTER DISTRICT.)

William R. Burke, of Milford, Democrat	129
Stephen C. Durrell, of Northbridge, Republican	324
Adin A. Messinger, of Hopedale, Republican	393
William H. Miskell, of Upton, Democrat	35
Blanks	83

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (WORCESTER).

George E. Harris, of Leominster, Socialist	8
Arthur C. Moore, of Southbridge, Republican	393
Orestes S. Thayer, of Upton, Democrat	36
Blanks	45

COUNTY TREASURER (WORCESTER COUNTY.)

Edward A. Brown, of Worcester, Republican	400
Daniel G. Hitchcock, of Warren, Socialist	6
Samuel Payson Perry, of Auburn, Democrat	32
Blanks	44

After the reading of the above by the presiding officer, Selectman E. A. Darling, the check lists used by the Selectmen and ballot clerks, together with the cancelled and unused ballots and tally sheets were delivered into the custody of the town clerk.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

CLERK'S MEETING, Nov. 12, 1909.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Worcester, ss:

Milford, November 12, 1909.

In compliance with Section 290-3 of Chapter 560, Acts of 1907, we, the town clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the Town Clerk in said Milford, and canvassed the return of votes in said towns for two representatives in the General Court, to be holden in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, next.

Said votes were returned to us as by law required, and were given in at a legal meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the second day of November, A. D., 1909, and was shown by the following tabular statement:

		Hopedale.	Mendon.	Milford.	Northbridge.	Upton.	Total.
William R. Burke of Milford,	had	129	69	1388	302	154	2042
Stephen C. Durrell of Northbridge,	"	324	62	493	621	128	1628
Adin A. Messinger of Hopedale,	"	393	74	613	502	133	1715
William H. Miskell of Upton,	"	35	40	879	224	191	1369
George F. Gleason of Northbridge,	"				1		
Blanks		83	37	673	190	102	1085
Total,		964	282	4046	1840	708	7840

William R. Burke of Milford, and Adin A. Messinger of Hopedale, having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them were certificates issued, also a duplicate certificate sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law requires.

In witness whereof, we, the Town Clerks of Hopedale, Men-

don, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, have hereunto set our names this 12th day of November, A. D., 1909.

Attest:

Wm. H. Jordan, Town Clerk of Hopedale.
Horace C. Adams, Town Clerk of Mendon.
Dennis J. Sullivan, Town Clerk of Milford.
Joseph A. Johnson, Town Clerk of Northbridge.
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk of Upton.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

November 5, 1909.

This is to certify that A. F. Fairbanks has been granted an Auctioneer's License by the Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale, on this fifth day of November, 1909, and has paid the necessary fee. (For one year.)

Per order of the Board of Selectmen.

W. S. HAGUE.
Clerk.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

November 29, 1909.

The board of selectmen, town clerk and constable Robert Ross, met at Selectmen's Room, Town Hall, Nov. 29, 1909, at 7.30 o'clock p. m. and Selectman L. B. Gaskill drew from the juror box the name of Fred S. Wilcox, to serve as Traverse Juror at our Superior Court, to be holden at Worcester, within and for our County of Worcester, on the second Monday of December, 1909, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

December 31, 1909.

The board of selectmen, Town Clerk and Constable Robert Ross, met at Selectmen's Room, Town Hall, Dec. 31, 1909, at 7.00 p. m. and Selectman L. B. Gaskill, drew from the juror box the name of William L. Beals, to serve as Grand Juror, at our Superior Court for the transaction of criminal business. Said court to be holden in Worcester, on the third Monday in January, 1910.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

JURORS DRAWN.

William Bancroft, traverse juror, March 30, 1909.
Henry M. Bates, traverse juror, Oct. 11, 1909.
Fred S. Wilcox, traverse juror, November 29, 1909.
William L. Beals, grand juror, December 31, 1909.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

104 male, 9 female. Amount sent to County Treasurer, $230.40, of which amount $194.69 was returned to the town.

HUNTERS' LICENSES ISSUED.

Resident 88.

VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1909.

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	MARRIAGE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
1909					
Feb. 3	Arthur U. Cheever,	Hopedale,	19	1st	Rev. G. Edgar Folk,
	Lottie M. Gassett,	Natick,	19	1st	Natick.
Feb. 9	Clarence F. Alger,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. G. M. Hibbard,
	Minnie Gardner,	Grafton,	18	1st	Grafton.
Feb. 20	George W. Damon,	Hopedale,	41	1st	Rev. N. M. Caton,
	Mary L. Norton,	Colerain	35	1st	Griswoldville.
Apr. 14	Samuel H. Bassett,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. G. W. Miner,
	Blanche G. Jacques,	Mansfield,	18	1st	Hopedale.
Apr. 19	James E. Flooks,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. Alex. Mitchell,
	Dorothy Osgood,	Hopedale,	19	1st	Providence, R. I.
Apr. 28	Frank L. Arnold,	Hopedale,	29	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath,
	Hannah E. Moore,	Milford,	29	1st	Milford.
Apr. 30	Ben Stocks,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Rev. Henry Hague,
	Mary E. Butterworth,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Worcester.
May 11	Wallace E. Watkin,	Hopedale,	33	1st	Rev. J. C. Alvord,
	Cordelia Bateson,	Hopedale,	36	1st	Hopedale.
May 26	Lewis W. Barrows,	Hopedale,	23	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Florence A. Wagner,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Milford.
June 10	Erdix S. Jones,	Springfield,	31	2nd	Rev. J. C. Alvord,
	Sarah M. Hallier,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Hopedale.
June 28	Rufus C. Kies,	Hopedale,	58	2nd	Rev. H. P. Hughes,
	Nellie (Grover) Doane,	Killingly, Conn.,	44	2nd	Woonsocket, R. I.
June 29	Harry Dean,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. G. A. Barrow,
	Blanche L. Marchessault,	Milford,	24	1st	Milford.
June 30	Arthur E. Roper,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Rev. S. G. Ayres,
	Elizabeth M. Haigh,	Woonsocket, R.I.	26	1st	Woonsocket, R. I.
July 18	Frank Snyder,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath,
	Ophelia Paradise,	Milford,	23	1st	Milford.
Aug. 7	Henry W. Burrill,	Hopedale,	60	2nd	Rev. A. W. Moulton,
	Alice (Pierce) Austin,	Hopedale,	40	2nd	Milford.
Aug. 12	Charles W. Slainey,	Hardwick,	21	1st	Rev. Harlan Page,
	Annie D. Knight,	Hardwick,	27	1st	Hopedale.
Sept. 11	Harry L. Stanas,	Milford,	23	1st	Rev. J. C. Alvord,
	Lydia Carlson,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Hopedale.
Sept. 12	James G. Allen,	Hopedale,	29	1st	Rev. J. C. Alvord,
	Jennie A. Harding,	Hopedale,	23	1st	Hopedale.
Sept. 15	Mike Smith,	Milford,	28	1st	Rev. G. A. Barrow,
	Annie Raymond,	Milford,	19	1st	Hopedale.
Sept. 15	Robert T. Hogarth,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. J. R. Thurston,
	Ruth I. Davis,	Northbridge,	24	1st	Northbridge.
Oct. 20	Daniel F. Carney,	Milford,	40	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath,
	Julia Byrne,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Milford.
Nov. 2	Thomas S. Newman,	Hopedale,	30	1st	Rev. C. H. Williams,
	Mary Forbes,	Hopedale,	38	1st	No. Billerica.
Nov. 3	William H. Ahern,	Milford,	47	2nd	Rev. D. F. McGrath,
	Catherine (Leonard) McGuire,	Hopedale,	38	2nd	Milford.
Nov. 25	George G. Bayley,	Hopedale,	32	2nd	Rev. Jas. W. McGrath,
	Beezie O'Connell,	Milford,	33	1st	Milford.
Nov. 26	George F. Simmons,	Hopedale,	20	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Ella B. Christian,	Milford,	17	1st	Milford.
Dec. 22	Harry W. Shultis,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Rev. W. A. Wood,
	Edna L. Dipper,	West Upton,	24	1st	West Upton.

BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING 1909.

DATE	NAME.	PARENTS.
1909		
Jan. 17	Elizabeth Agnes McGrath,	William and Lizzie (Innis).
Jan. 20	Lloyd Allen Stowers,	Carl B. and Carrie E. (Adams).
Jan. 21	Sadie Pearl Daige,	Norry J. and Melvina J. (Tero).
Feb. 8	Mary F. Phillips,	George A. and Mary M. (Gallant).
Feb. 13	George Whitman Adams,	Charles W.and Minnie E.(Whitman).
Feb. 21	Arthur Joseph Chambers,	Arthur J. and Florence E. (Brown).
Feb. 25	Edith Diani,	John and Clara (Maisti).
Mch. 28	Blair Nelson Sears,	Fred E. and Alice (Vaughn).
Apr. 3	—— ——Gardner,	Albert C. and Emma (Prigent).
Apr. 19	Doris Louise Ingerson,	Clayton W. and Etta H. (Dudley).
Apr. 24	Mildred Edith Williams,	Bret N. and Lola (Wilson).
Apr. 25	Louise Taft,	Alfred M. and Louise (Barrows).
June 1	Kenneth Warren Sinclair,	Arthur A. and Dora E. (Williams).
June 29	Almond Osborne,	William M. and Frances M. (Eg-
June 29	Alfred Osborne,	ganford)
July 3	Maurice Hudson Boomer,	Ezra C. and Katherine (Cameron).
July 8	Dorothy Gately,	John F. and Eleanor (McLean).
July 13	Marion Agnes Robbins,	George C. and Ethel G. (Knight).
July 13	Gladys Elizabeth Vail,	Thomas and Eva (Reid).
July 20	Olive May Hamant,	George D. and Wilhelmina I.(Pierce).
July 24	Walter F. Durgin, Jr.,	Walter F. and Cecile V. (Looke).
July 31	Milton King Osborne,	Shelley B. and Annie E. (Threlfall).
Sept. 10	Joseph Everett Marsh,	Joseph and Maude (Smith).
Sept. 15	Mildred Elizabeth Irving,	Herbert and Celia (Conlin).
Sept. 15	Hazel Robbins Goodell,	Lucius H. and Grace M. (Robbins).
Oct. 5	Elvira Mathilda Fancher,	Harry and Elizabeth (Weice).
Oct. 16	Dorothy Caldwell Pease,	Robert F. and Mabel I. (Wheeler).
Nov. 3	Cilestina Negrotte,	Joseph and Mary (Cirina).
Nov. 4	Edward Austin Davis,	William H.Jr.and Selma I.(Roeltgen).
Nov. 7	Stillborn,	
Nov. 9	Margaret Sprague Arey,	Freeman B. and Gertrude C.(Young).
Dec. 15	Clarence Chaplin,	Herbert and Marion (Davis).
Dec. 23	Edmond Talbot,	Elzear and Mary G. (Fitzgerald).
Dec. 24	Stillborn,	
Dec. 27	Catherine Christina Fitzgerald	John and Nellie (Hurley).

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1909.

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	AGE Y	M	D	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH
1909						
Feb. 5	Ruth C. Brown,		5	15	Pneumonia,	Hopedale.
Mch. 22	Andrew J. Ross,	70	2	12	Pneumonia,	Mendon.
June 30	—— Osborne,			1	Inanition,	Hopedale.
July 4	Hepsy B. Barrows,	51	4		Carcinoma,	Oxford.
July 6	Clifford B. Crafts,		5	7	Meningitis,	Waltham.
July 7	—— Osborne,			7	Inanition,	Hopedale.
July 9	Frederick C. Lees,	26	4	13	Sunstroke,	England.
July 25	Ralph Varnum,	76	2	20	Bright's Disease,	Bowdoinham, Me.
Aug. 31	Michael Cunningham,	88			Gangrene of Foot,	Ireland.
Sept. 18	Horace A. Tillotson,	48	6	27	Organic Heart Disease	Moosup, Conn.
Oct. 17	Alice E. Westcott,	45	7	28	Cerebral Apoplexy,	Milford.
Oct. 19	Frank H. Thompson,	42	9	23	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	New Bedford.
Oct. 22	Amanda D. Noyes,	89	1	14	Senility,	Lewis, N.Y.
Oct. 24	John Damon,	50	0	19	Bright's Disease	State Line, N. H.
Oct. 25	Joseph B. Bancroft,	88	0	22	Senility,	Uxbridge.
Oct. 30	William Lytle,	73	7	22	Pneumonia,	Ft. Covington, N.Y.
Nov. 7	Stillborn,					
Nov. 10	John J. Donahoe,	66	7	14	Pernicious Anaemia,	P.E.Island.
Dec. 13	George A. Norcross,	68	9	25	Heart Disease,	Franklin.
Dec. 15	Walter Durgin, Jr.,		4	21	Acute Hydrocephalus,	Hopedale.
Dec. 24	Stillborn,					

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, Vol. 1, Chap. 29.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the preceding month at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, and the name, place of birth, and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to, the father shall not be stated, except at the request in writing

of both father and mother, filed with the return. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk stating that said births have been properly reported to him. A physician or midwife who neglects to report such lists on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall for each offence forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

Blanks can be obtained on application to the town clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1909.

In presenting my report to the Town this year I desire to call attention to the fact that certain changes in form of same have been made, and several pages of detail eliminated, for the reason that we have now systematized our method of transacting town business, so that full detailed reports come from each department and the detail which has been presented to the Town for some years past by the Treasurer is but a repetition, unnecessary, and costly to the Town to print.

All details of accounts not elsewhere shown will be found as usual in my report.

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION BANK AND STREET RY. TAX in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To Corporation Tax, 1908 account.....	$ 39 04	By cash, 1908 Corporation Tax.....	$ 39 04
Corporation Tax, 1909 account.....	11,386 11	Cash, 1909 Corporation Tax.....	11,386 11
Bank Tax, 1908 account.....	75 67	Cash, 1908 Bank Tax.....	75 67
Bank Tax, 1909 account.....	12,667 86	Cash, 1909 Bank Tax.....	12,667 86
Street Railway Tax, 1909 account....	50 04	Cash, 1909 Street Railway Tax.....	50 04
	$24,218 72		$24,218 72

STATE AID, in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To amount paid on orders and charged to State on 1909 account.....	$608 00	By amount received from State on 1908 account	$726 00

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT, in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To balance of account	2,279 00	By balance from last account	2,279 00

Detailed Account.

Burlingale lot	$100 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing lot	$150 00
Sarah M. Whipple	100 00	P. W. Moody, account lot 45	50 00
Sally Whipple	100 00	W. G. Comstock	50 00
Margaret Humphrey	250 00	Mary J. Jacques	100 00
J. B. Bancroft	500 00	J. A. Edmands	100 00
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher	150 00	George Scriven	65 00
S. B. Holbrook	100 00	George H. Cole	100 00
L. H. Ballou	200 00	Frank H. French	75 00
Mary Draper	14 00	Estate Emily Albee	75 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Hopedale.

Dr.			Cr.	
To balance from old accounts, viz.:—			By amounts paid:—	
Cemetery trust account.	$ 2,279 00		Fire department	$3,098 65
Library trust account...	1,000 00		Poor department	723 68
Park trust account.....	1,500 00		Board of health	53 86
Balance general fund...	819 89		Library department	3,173 05
		$5,598 89	School department	15,105 57
Collector, 1906 account		67	Highway department	8,948 75
Collector, 1907 account		10 88	Sidewalk department	630 36
Collector 1908 account		225 52	Park street	3,992 51
Collector 1909 account		57,630 50	West Main street	7,518 49
Collector street railway excise tax....		249 25	West Main street sewer	529 28
Collector street railway real estate tax.		146 25	Adin street	1,540 19
Corporation tax, 1908 account		39 04	Park department	2,900 47
Corporation tax, 1909 account		11,386 11	Incidental department	3,177 42
Bank tax, 1908 account		75 67	Water account	2,250 00
Bank tax, 1909 account		12,667 86	Street lighting	3,565 30
Street railway tax, 1909 account....		50 04	Interest account	779 60
State of Massachusetts state aid 1908 account		726 00	Memorial day	50 00
			Town Hall	1,271 48

State of Massachusetts, military burials 1907 account	37 00
Town Hall, rents	1,587 00
Highway department	8,161 66
Interest on deposit	235 83
School department, property sold	26 41
School department, tuition	32 00
Library, Bancroft fund income	40 00
Library, fines, sale of books, etc.	138 36
Dog licenses, library account	194 69
Park department, 1909 account	323 07
Park department, interest on fund	75 00
Tree warden	32 24
Board of health	1 00
Court fines	86 96
E. L. Coffin, killing dog	1 00
J. J. Gibbs, druggist license	1 00
A. F. Fairbanks, auctioneer's license	2 00
W. H. Rockwood	2 76
Poor department	60 25
Albee lot, trust fund interest	9 00
Borrowed money	25,000 00
	$124,853 91

State and County tax	13,570 00
Tree warden	526 08
State aid	608 00
Loan account	10,000 00
Albee cemetery lot account	4 10
Borrowed money	25,000 00
Balance	15,837 07
	$124,853 91

Dr.		
To balance to new accounts, viz:—		
Cemetery trust account..	2,279 00	
Library trust account..	1,000 00	
Park trust account....	1,500 00	
Balance general fund..	11,058 07	
		$15,837 07

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS CHARGED TO SUNDRY PARTIES UNPAID DEC. 31, 1909.

State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1909 account	$608 00
State of Massachusetts, military burials, 1909 account	74 00
Howe Engine Co	140 90
O. B. Young, Tree Warden account	2 72
Miss J. A. Smith, highway department	1 25
G. A. Crockett, highway department sewer tax	14 56

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1909.

	Appropriations.	Cash Receipts.	Amts. Unpaid.	Balances. Overdrawn.	Balances. Unexpended.
School Department: —					
General.	$15,000 00	$ 58 41			$ 4 50
Grading at High School.	500 00				448 34
Library debartment: —					
General.	2,800 00	373 05			
Highway department: —					
General.	5,500 00	6,292 51	15 81		3,851 41
Watering Streets.	1,450 00				442 35
Sidewalks.	500 00	161 85			31 49
West Main street,	10,000 00	1,868 83			4,350 34
West Main street sewer,		83 53		$445 75	
Park street,	6,000 00				2,007 49
Adin street,	1,200 00			340 19	
Fire department: —					
General.	2,175 00				41 58
New hose,	200 0				
Forest fires,	100 00				17 63
Fire alarm box,	110 00				3 17
New apparatus,	5,000 00				4,423 97
Incidentals,	3,000 00	93 72			355 41
Water account,	2,250 00				
Street lighting,	3,700 00				134 70
Interest,	300 00	235 83		243 77	
Memorial Day,	50 00				
Town Hall,	500 00	1,587 00			815 52
New hydrant,	300 00			139 11	
Emily Albee cemetery lot,		9 00			4 90
State and county tax,	16,000 00				2,430 00
Tree warden,	500 00	34 96	2 72		8 88
Poor department,	800 00	60 25			136 57
Board of health,	300 00	1 00			247 14
State aid,		726 00	608 00		
Park commissioners,	2,500 00	401 40			93
Loan account,	10,000 00				
Military burials,		37 00	74 00		

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1909,	$ 5,598 89	
Total receipts for year	119,255 02	
		$124,853 91
Total cash expenditures on 1909 account		109,016 84
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1910		$15,837 07
Less Library trust fund	$1,000 00	
Less Cemetery trust fund	2,279 00	
Less Park department trust fund	1,500 00	4,779 00
Balance to General fund as shown in Cash report		$11,058 07

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN
For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

By appropriation		$ 3,000 00
J. J. Gibbs, license fee		1 00
A. F. Fairbanks, auctioneer's fee		2 00
Eugene Coffin, killing dog		1 00
W. H. Rockwood		2 76
Fines received from Third District Court		86 96
To D. A. Westcott, insurance	$472 65	
S. E. Hapgood, carriage for assessors	10 00	
W. H. Jordan, sundries	3 55	
W. H. Jordan, vital statistics	35 80	
Harold Jordan, delivering assessors' blanks	50	
Wendell Williams, prosecuting cases, etc.	26 90	
W. S. Hague, travelling expense	15 20	
Draper Co., sundries	42	
State of Massachusetts, license fee	25	
Davoren's Express	1 95	
License blank	30	
W. F. Durgin, dog officer	10 00	
W. F. Durgin, serving and posting warrants	4 00	
W. F. Durgin, Creosote, etc	2 27	
W. F. Durgin, court fines	2 26	
Rocco G. Scalzi, court fines	5 48	
Henry C. Snell, court fines	7 24	
J. Stuart Cox, court fines	2 39	
C. W. Wheeler, court fines	12 51	
C. C. Downing, police duty	7 80	
H. B. Leonard, police duty	9 30	

W. F. Gaskill, police duty.....	7 80
W. C. McDonald, police duty.....	7 20
S. E. Kellogg, police duty.....	8 40
A. F. Fairbanks, police duty.....	3 90
E. L. Coffin, police duty.....	4 80
C. E. White, police duty.....	4 80
W. E. Day, police duty.....	20 70
John M. French, police duty.....	7 80
Thomas Matthews, police duty.....	11 70
W. F. Durgin, police duty.....	10 90
E. A. Sherman, police duty.....	10 20
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephones.....	78 72
C. E. White, clerical work acc't assessors	20 00
O. L. Lurvey, clerical work acc't assessors	6 60
Walter Watson, return of 8 deaths	2 00
George W. Wood, return of 20 deaths	5 00
J. J. Gibbs, sundries.....	1 30
Tea Tray Co., 2 accurate extinguishers	14 00
W. and L. E. Gurley, sundries.....	11 53
Thomas H. Bradley, burial agent acc't Hepsy B. Barrows.....	37 00
Thomas H. Bradley, burial agent acc't Ralph Varnum.....	37 00
Henry A. Daniels, treasurer's bond	80 00
G. C. Eastman, surveying.....	13 50
Worcester County Abstract Co., examination of records.....	1 00
W. C. Tewksbury, labor on Hope Street bridge.....	1 00
W. H. Bennett, labor at South Hopedale Cemetery.....	5 60
Helen Ball, Soldiers' Relief acc't Mrs. M. R. Hanley.....	54 00

Stationery and printing.....	356 66	
Henry Brown, service at polls.....	5 00	
C. E. Pierce, service at polls.....	5 00	
Frank H. French, service at polls...	3 00	
M. J. Higgiston, service at polls....	3 00	
Fred B. Sweet, service at polls.....	3 00	
Geo. H. Davis, service at polls.....	3 00	
Thomas Gaffney, service at polls...	3 00	
R. G. Gaskill, service at polls.....	3 00	
Henry Markham, service at polls....	2 00	
W. F. Durgin, service at polls.....	5 00	
A. A. Messinger, auditor.....	30 00	
E. S. Stimpson, collector of taxes...	304 43	
E. A. Darling, chairman of selectmen	100 00	
L. B. Gaskill, Selectman.....	50 00	
S. E. Kellogg, Selectman.....	50 00	
W. S. Hague, clerk of selectmen....	50 00	
H. F. Searles, registrar.....	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, registrar.....	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, clerk of registrars....	10 00	
W. H. Jordan, town clerk.....	50 00	
W. H. Grayson, registrar.....	25 00	
Henry Markham, registrar.....	25 00	
Wendell Williams, town counsel....	200 00	
William Bancroft, assessor.....	60 00	
H. W. Bracken, assessor.....	60 00	
W. S. Hague, assessor.....	60 00	
E. D. Bancroft, town treasurer.....	100 00	
Frank Gaskill, cattle inspector.....	25 00	
Balance unexpended.....	355 41	
	$3,093 72	$3,093 72

MEMORIAL DAY.

By appropriation.....		$50 00
To Post 22, G. A. R.....	$50 00	
	$50 00	$50 00

INTEREST.

By appropriation		$300 00
Interest on deposits		235 83
To Bancroft Memorial Library trustees, trust fund	$40 00	
Hopedale Village Cemetery, trust fund	132 24	
Park department, trust fund	75 00	
Miford Savings Bank	523 36	
Incidental department	9 00	
Balance overdrawn		243 77
	$779 60	$779 60

TAXES.

By appropriation		$16,000 00
To state tax	$7,560 00	
County tax	6,010 00	
Balance unexpended	2,430 00	
	$16,000 00	$16,000 00

STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation		$3,700 00
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	$3,565 30	
Balance unexpended	134 70	
	$3,700 00	$3,700 00

WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

By appropriation		$2,250 00
To Milford Water Co	$2,250 00	
	$2,250 00	$2,250 00

STATE AID.

Harriet A. Bean	$16 00	
George B. Butterfield	48 00	
Mary A. Cox	48 00	
Julia A. Chipman	48 00	
S. Caroline Clark	16 00	
Hattie R. Force	48 00	
Sarah M. Merriam	48 00	
George H. Williams	72 00	
Samuel P. Oliver	72 00	
Ralph Varnum	42 00	
Frederick Whitney	18 00	
Hepsy B. Barrows	24 00	
Ruth A. Sanderson	48 00	
Thomas H. Bradley	60 00	
By amount due from state		608 00
	$608 00	$608 00

EMILY ALBEE CEMETERY LOT.

Balance on hand from 1908		$4 50
Interest		4 50
To Frank Gaskill, labor	$4 10	
Balance unexpended	4 90	
	$9 00	$9 00

TOWN HALL.

By appropriation		$ 500 00
Rents		1,587 00
To Milford Water Co.	$66 39	
Milford Gas Light Co.	144 16	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	69 20	
Swift B. Lyon, tuning piano	9 20	
James H. Rowe, labor on roof	16 65	
Elbert M. Crockett, painting market	35 00	
Eldredge & Son, labor	8 75	

Dillon Bros., labor.....	64 69	
J. J. Gibbs, sundries.....	1 05	
Geo. T. Hall, labor on screens.....	1 00	
Janitors' salaries.....	603 15	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.....	175 00	
Howes & Howes.....	2 10	
Staples & Gould.....	57 89	
Geo. E. Stimpson & Co., book case...	17 25	
Balance unexpended.....	815 52	
	$2,087 00	$2,087 00

LOCATING HYDRANT ON WILLIAM ST.

By appropriation.....		$300 00
To Milford Water Co.....	$439 11	
Balance overdrawn.....		139 11
	$439 11	$439 11

LOAN ACCOUNT.

By appropriation.....		$10,000 00
To Milford Savings Bank.....	$10,000 00	
	$10,000 00	$10,000 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

By appropriation		$500 00
O. B. Young		2 72
H. L. Patrick		2 44
Draper Co.		29 80
To Highway Dept.	$12 50	
J. Stuart Cox	3 00	
Draper Co.	3 79	
F. C. Hodgman automobile	2 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons	32 90	
Highway Dept.	125 48	
H. L. Frost Co.	285 66	
H. T. Heredeen	75	
Staples & Gould	60 00	
Balance unexpended	8 88	
	$534 96	$534 96

CHARLES E. NUTTING,

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

There were 3 cases of typhoid fever, 4 cases of scarlet fever, 2 cases of diphtheria, all of which received attention.

By appropriation		$300 00
Dr. K. A. Campbell, 1 culture tube		1 00
To Archie Miller, acc't quarantine	$24 00	
State Board of Health, culture tube	1 00	
Bowker & Barnard, 2 pairs rubber boots	9 00	
Draper Co., 2 bbls. oil	4 16	
W. K. Stearns, labor spraying acc't mosquitoes	3 70	
John M. French, fumigating	12 00	
Balance unexpended	247 14	
	$301 00	$301 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

By appropriation		$800 00
Amount from Town of Sutton acc't. J. Burroughs and Family		55 00
Amount from State of Massachusetts acc't. Ansel Rockwell		5 25
To Town of Milford acc't. Bridget Gaffney	191 00	
To Town of Milford acc't. Curtis Claflin	185 50	
To Town of Milford acc't. George W. Horton	43 05	
To Massachusetts Hospital George W. Horton	148 40	
To Howes & Howes acc't. J. Burroughs	36 25	
To Draper Co. acc't. J. Burroughs	18 75	
To Town of Westboro acc't. Wallace & Douglas Stewart	70 73	
To Little Franciscan Sisters of Mary Hospital acc't. Mrs. Wallace Rockwood	30 00	
Balance unexpended	136 57	
	$860 25	$860 25

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS
For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

No complaints.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Fence Viewers.

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriations.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Totals.	Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
Incidentals,	$ 3,000 00		$ 93 72	$ 3,093 72	$ 2,738 31	$ 355 41	
Street lights,	3,700 00			3,700 00	3,565 30	134 70	
State aid,	608 00	$608		608 00	608 00		
Water for fires,	2,250 00			2,250 00	2,250 00		
Memorial Day,	50 00			50 00	50 00		
Interest,	300 00		235 83	535 83	779 60		$243 77
State and County Taxes,	16,000 00			16,000 00	13,570 00	2,430 00	
Tree Warden,	500 00		34 96	534 96	526 08	8 88	
Town hall,	500 00		1,587 00	2,087 00	1,271 48	815 52	
Board of Health,	300 00		1 00	301 00	53 86	247 14	
Loan account,	10,000 00			10,000 00	10,000 00		
Overseers of Poor,	800 00		60 25	860 25	723 68	136 57	
Locating Hydrant on William St.,	300 00			300 00	439 11		139 11
Totals,	$ 38,308 00	$608	$2,012 76	$ 40,320 76	$ 36,575 42	$ 4,128 22	$382 88

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1910.

Town House	$35,000 00
Town House, lot	1,000 00
Town House, store fixtures	450 00
Town House, post-office equipment	1,000 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street	10,000 00

Land, 1-2 acre	600 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale	1,500 00
Land, 1 acre	300 00
Schoolhouse, Dutcher street	35,000 00
Land, 1 acre	1,200 00
High school building	25,000 00
Land, 3 acres	1,000 00
Public library	5,000 00
Bancroft Memorial library	30,000 00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper fountain	15,000 00
Library lot	1,000 00
Town Park property	
Band stand	800 00
Bath house	1,000 00
Tool house	200 00
Darling Hill shelter	300 00
Land, 180 acres	20,000 00
Pest house and lot	600 00
Town pound	100 00
Fire department property	
Hose house	6,000 00
Hose house lot	1,000 00
Police equipment	30 00
	$193,080 00

HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine	$ 500 00
Road Scraper	25 00
Four snow plows	60 00
Small tools	80 00
2 watering carts	330 00
Eleven stand pipes	170 00
Road roller	80 00
Buildings	600 00
1-horse tip cart	50 00
200 tons trap rock	240 00

150 yards of gravel	127 50
1350 yards rough stone for crusher	810 00
20 barrels oil	64 00
	$3,136 50

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR 1910.

Memorial Day	$ 50 00
Incidentals	3,000 00
Interest	750 00
Street Lights	3,600 00
Water for fire purposes	2,300 00
State and county taxes	16,000 00
Town Hall	500 00
Support of the poor	800 00
Tree warden	500 00
Board of health	300 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG.
Selectmen.

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

I have tested and sealed the following scales, weights and measures:

9 Platform scales over 5000 lbs.
65 Platform scales under 5000 lbs.
5 Computing scales.
27 other scales.
356 Weights.
13 Dry measures.
24 Wet measures.
289 Milk and cream jars.
6 Yard sticks.
3 Oil pumps.

I have also condemned the following scales, measures and jars:—

5 Platform scales.
3 Other scales.
2 Computing scales.
4 Dry measures.
8 Wet measures.
261 Milk and cream jars.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. WHEELER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Report of Inspector of Animals.

South Milford, Dec. 31, 1909.

To the Board of Selectmen of Hopedale:—

Gentlemen:—I submit to you my report for the year as inspector: A general inspection of all cattle and swine and the premises where the same were kept was made during the year 1909, and a written report of the condition of each barn and stable was sent to the state board of cattle commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK GASKILL,

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS,
For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 5,500 00
Northrop street betterments		2,514 92
Material sold		188 57
Work for outside parties (labor and material)		3,299 77
Street railway tax returned by state		60 94
Street railway tax returned by tax collector		188 31
Rent of hose house		40 00
To labor	$ 5,962 71	
Cenedella & Co., Northrop street	543 05	
Material	1,215 42	
H. T. Heredeen	8 25	
Milford Water Co.	12 86	
Clark Ellis & Sons	40 13	
Henry L. Patrick	3 03	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.	63 00	
Draper Co.	27 41	
Milford Journal Co.	4 90	
John M. MacLauchlan	50 00	
Howes & Howes	5 34	
F. H. Marshall	5 00	
Balance unexpended	3,851 41	
	$11,792 51	$11,792 51

SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 500 00
Charges on Concreting		161 85
To labor	$330 20	
Material	211 38	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.	88 78	
Balance unexpended	31 49	
	$ 661 85	$ 661 85

STREET WATERING.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 1,450 00
To running cart	$ 585 11	
Milford Water Co. (water)	351 79	
H. T. Heredeen	19 85	
Arthur R. Stone	35 00	
J. F. Damon	14 50	
J. L. & H. K. Potter	1 40	
Balance unexpended	442 35	
	$ 1,450 00	$ 1,450 00

ADIN STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$1,200 00
To Cenedella & Co.	$169 37	
Labor	238 52	
Material	1,132 30	
Account overdrawn		340 19
	$1,540 19	$1,540 19

WEST MAIN STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$10,000 00
Milford & Uxbridge Street Ry. Co.		1,868 83
To Cenedella & Co.	$5,135 68	
Labor	157 22	
Material	1,608 00	
Draper Company	135 19	
Concord Foundry & Machine Co.	7 00	
Milford Iron Foundry	14 00	
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co.	76	
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.	413 77	
Milford Water Co.	3 70	
Est. of H. A. Barney	43 17	
Balance unexpended	4,350 34	
	$11,868 83	$11,868 83

WEST MAIN STREET SEWERS.

	Dr.	Cr.
Sewer Assessments		$83 53
To Town of Milford Sewer Assessments	$65 00	
Cenedella & Co.	187 71	
F. A. Barbour	276 57	
Account overdrawn		445 75
	$529 28	$529 28

PARK STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$6,000 00
To Cenedella & Co.	$2,941 47	
Labor	44 50	
Material	775 25	
Draper Company	129 38	
Concord Foundry & Machine Co.	11 40	
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co.	68	
Milford Iron Foundry	3 30	
Clark Ellis & Sons	66 53	
Est. of H. A. Barney	20 00	
Balance unexpended	2,007 49	
	$6,000 00	$6,000 00

SUMMARY.

Departments.	Appropriations.	Credits for Outside Work, etc.	Total Credits.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
General Repairs	$ 5,500 00	$6,292 51	$11,792 51	$7,941 10	$3,851 41	
Sidewalks	500 00	161 85	661 85	630 36	31 49	
Street Watering	1,450 00		1,450 00	1,007 65	442 35	
Adin Street	1,200 00		1,200 00	1,540 19		340 19
West Main Street	10,000 00	1,868 83	11,868 83	7,518 49	4,350 34	
West Main St. Sewers		83 53	83 53	529 28		445 75
Park Street	6,000 00		6,000 00	3,992 51	2,007 49	
Totals,	$24,650 00	$8,406 72	$33,056 72	$23,159 58	$10,683 08	$785 94

HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine	$500 00
Road Scraper	25 00
Four Snow Plows	60 00
Small tools	80 00
2 Watering carts	330 00
Eleven stand pipes	170 00
Road roller	80 00
Buildings	600 00
1-horse tip cart	50 00
200 tons trap rock	240 00
150 yards of gravel	127 50
1,350 yards rough stone for crusher	810 00
20 barrels oil	64 00
	$3,136 50

CHARLES E. PIERCE,
GEORGE A. DRAPER,
E. D. OSGOOD,
Road Commissioners.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Report of Board of Engineers of the Hopedale Fire Department for the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

PROPERTY.

One hose house	$6,000 00
Land	1,000 00
One hose wagon	225 00
One hose wagon	75 00
One hook and ladder truck	160 00
4,400 ft. hose (3,500 ft. in good condition, 900 unreliable)	950 00
Fire alarm telegraph, complete	2,100 00
Electric combination, and equipments	2,000 00
Arrow gun and fire escape	10 00
Harnesses, shovels, etc	20 00
	$12,540 00

ENGINEERS.

S. E. Kellogg, Chief, C. E. Pierce, Assistant Chief.
J. B. Chapin, Clerk and Treasurer.

MEMBERS.

Hose 2.

F. G. Crockett, Capt.
M. J. Higgiston, 1st. Lieut.
P. J. Manuel, 2nd Lieut.
C. W. Wheeler, Clerk.
Fred Farrington.
T. H. Gaffney.

Hose 3.

W. N. Draper, Capt.	F. C. Warren.
W. E. Whitney, 1st Lieut.	J. A. Miller.
F. L. Arnold, 2nd Lieut.	W. L. Lowell.
F. W. Nichols, Clerk.	W. E. Taylor.
H. P. Crawford.	G. W. Kneeland.
W. F. Durgin.	J. L. Quimby.
T. H. Craddock.	J. A. Hanley.
A. E. Weeks.	A. E. Beck.

H. B. Leonard, Special Driver.

Robert Ross, Fire Police.

PAY OF MEMBERS, INCIDENTALS, ETC.

By appropriation		$2,175 00
To John Adams, electrician	$20 00	
Chas. H. Bagley, steward	10 00	
Pay of engineers	169 00	
Robert Ross, fire police	20 00	
F. W. Nichols, pay of hose 3	432 50	
C. W. Wheeler, pay of hose 2	185 00	
E.S.Stimpson, poll tax of department	47 04	
F. C. Warren and W. L. Lowell, steward and electrician	210 00	
Milford Water Co., water	11 03	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas	15 20	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co., electricity	77 36	
C. W. Wheeler, oil and supplies No. 2	2 26	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., fuel	171 38	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., man at barn	329 75	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teams to fires	28 00	

H. M. Curtiss Co., soft coal.....	21 02
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephones..	36 14
Avery & Woodbury Co., supplies...	2 48
Brewer & Co., Druggists, blue vitriol and extinguisher bottles.....	78 78
J. B. Chapin, stamps and express...	7 55
A. P. Clarridge, repairs.....	13 15
F. G. Darling, window screens.....	1 25
Draper Co., labor and supplies.....	19 46
Davoren's Express, freight and carting	3 75
The Edes Mfg. Co., coppers and zincs	34 19
The Fireman's Standard, subscription	1 00
J. M. French & Son, teams to fires and carting.....	10 88
Benj. Franklin, sandwiches and coffee	3 25
Milford Auto Machine Co., brass polish	1 65
John J. McMillan, changing wire...	24 96
J. J. Gibbs, supplies.....	6 00
Milford Water Co., putting in meter	1 86
Highway Dept., rent of barn.....	40 00
Henry L. Patrick, supplies.....	13 90
W. C. Tewksbury, labor and supplies	23 35
F. C. Warren, laundry and supplies	18 98
Weston Electrical Instrument Co., repairs on voltmeter.....	5 97
E. M. Wheelock, stamped envelopes	10 62
Warren and Lowell, laundry.....	4 00
F. M. Walker, sandwiches and coffee	3 25
Henry K. Barnes Co., spanners.....	2 50
Dodge Motor Vehicle Co., brushes..	3 26
The Gamewell F. A. Tel. Co., magnets	11 20

Crosby Steam Gage & Valve Co., springs	50	
Balance unexpended	41 58	
		$2,175 00

BRUSH FIRES.

By appropriation		$100 00
To J. B. Chapin, money expended	$37 75	
W. F. Durgin, money expended	75	
D. W. Diggs, extinguisher head	6 00	
J. M. French & Son, teams	3 00	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teams	17 50	
Samuel Olivant, money expended	3 50	
J. B. Henderson, team	2 00	
E. M. Wheelock, stamped envelopes	7 87	
Milford Journal Co., printing	4 00	
Balance unexpended	17 63	
		$100 00

FIRE ALARM BOX.

By appropriation		$110 00
To The Gamewell F. A. Tel. Co., one sector box No. 37 and Cole key guards	$87 50	
W. C. Tewksbury, coil No. 9 wire	6 75	
W. J. McMillan, installing	10 00	
Draper Co., supplies	2 58	
Balance unexpended	3 17	
		$110 00

NEW HOSE.

By appropriation		$200 00
To Brewer & Co., Druggists, 350 ft. 2½ in. fire hose and 50ft. chemical hose	200 00	
		$200 00

ADDITIONAL FIRE APPARATUS.

By appropriation		$5,000 00
To E. D. Bancroft, Treas., deposit on ladder truck	$350 00	
J. B. Chapin, expense of committee to Boston and Hull	35 85	
Harvey E. Trask, repairs	50 65	
Highway Dept., concreting, etc.	123 08	
Draper Co., repairs	16 45	
Balance of appropriation unexpended but contracted for	4,423 97	
		$5,000 00

SUMMARY.

	Appropriation	Amount Expended	Unexpended Balance	Balance of Appropriation Unexpended But Contracted For
General	$2,175 00	$2,133 42	$41 58	
New hose	200 00	200 00		
Brush fires	100 00	82 37	17 63	
Fire alarm box	110 00	106 83	3 17	
Apparatus	5,000 00	576 03		$4,423 97
	$7,585 00	$3,098 65	$62 38	$4,423 97

LOCATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Box 25.—Draper Co. yard.
Box 26—Hopedale street, on hose house.
Box 32—Dutcher street, corner Dennett street.
Box 35—Union street, near Prospect street.
Box 37—Northrop street at C. F. Roper's shop.
Box 38—Dutcher street, corner Freedom street.
Box 42—Bancroft Park, west side.
Box 45—Freedom street, west of dam.
Box 46—Hope street, near Hopedale Coal & Ice Co. office.
Box 53—Corner Adin and Hopedale streets.

Box 57—Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.
Box 59—West Main street, near turnout.
Box 62—West Main street, corner Hopedale street.
Box 64—Westcott's Mills, Spindleville.
School signal near Draper Co. office.

RECORD OF FIRES.

Feb. 23, Box 62—At 2.30 P. M., residence on West Main street, owned by John Grant.

March 31, Box 45—At 3.45 P. M., brush fire near Bancroft Park.

April 2, Box 32—At 3.20 P. M., brush fire near Dennett street.

May 21, Box 38—At 9 P. M., residence on Williams street, owned by Mrs. E. L. Osgood.

June 19, Box 38—At 2.10 A. M., residence on Freedom street, owned by Draper Co.

October 30—Brush fire alarm, South Milford.

December 20, Box 26—At 4 A. M., fire on roof Hopedale House, owned by Draper Co.

The department has been called for six chimney fires on still alarms.

The forest wards have attended to their duties.

All equipments are in good working order with the exception of the Electric Combination, which will need repairs soon to keep in commission.

For 1910 we would recommend the following appropriations:—

General appropriation	$2,275 00
Brush fires	100 00
New hose	200 00

S. E. KELLOGG,
C. E. PIERCE,
J. B. CHAPIN,
Board of Engineers.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1909.

Valuation of real estate ,excluding land		$1,267,525 00
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings		256,575 00
Total valuation of real estate		$1,524,100 00
Total valuation of personal estate		3,715,875 00
Total valuation		$5,239,975 00
Tax rate per 1,000		11 00
Tax on property		57,639 89
Number of polls taxed	729	
Tax on each	$2 00	
Tax on polls		1,458 00
Total amount raised by taxation		$59,097 89
Bank tax for 1909		12,742 92
Corporation tax for 1909		11,425 15
Street railway tax		299 29
Available tax		$83,565 25

Number of persons assessed	840
Number of persons assessed on property	239
Number of persons assessed on poll tax only	605
Number of polls assessed	729
Number of horses assessed	79
Number of cows assessed	76
Number of neat cattle assessed	7
Number of swine assessed	4

Number of dwelling houses assessed..... 385
Acres of land assessed..... 2,753 acres 27 rods.
Population 1,988

WILLIAM BANCROFT,
H. W. BRACKEN,
W. S. HAGUE,
Board of Assessors.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

	Dr.	Cr.
1904.		
To uncollected taxes.....	$1 00	
By taxes abated.....		$1 00
	$1 00	$1 00
1905.		
To uncollected taxes.....	$98 48	
By taxes abated.....		$98 48
	$98 48	$98 48
1906.		
To uncollected taxes.....	$125 05	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$ 67
By taxes abated.....		124 38
	$125 05	$125 05
1907.		
To uncollected taxes.....	$264 78	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$10 88
By uncollected taxes.....		253 90
	$264 78	$264 78

1908.

To uncollected taxes.....	$345 45	
Interest	3 66	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$225 52
Uncollected taxes.....		123 59
	$349 11	$349 11
Milford and Uxbridge Street Railway Co., real estate tax.....	$146 25	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$146 25
	$146 25	$146 25

1909.

To taxes committed for collection.....	$59,097 89	
Interest	59	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$57,630 50
Discount		1,153 30
Unpaid		314 68
	$59,098 48	$59,098 48
Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket St. Railway Co., excise tax	$60 94	
Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co., excise tax.....	188 31	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$249 25
	$249 25	$249 25
Betterments on Northrop street, C. F. Roper & Co.....	$480 20	
Joseph Northrop.....	298 90	
Draper Co.....	1,735 82	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$2,514 92
	$2,514 92	$2,514 92

Sewer assessments on West Main street	$83 53	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$68 97
Uncollected		14 56
	$83 53	$83 53

EDWARD S. STIMPSON,

Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1909 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts. The treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

ADIN A. MESSINGER,
Auditor.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1909.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES F. ROPER, Chairman,	Term	expires	1910.
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,	"	"	1911.
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary,	"	"	1912.

PARK FOOT PATH—RAWSON'S BRIDGE.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of Park Department.

General appropriation	$2,500 00
Wood sold	289 20
Bath House Lockers	6 00
Labor	3 20
Shrubs, etc	24 67

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Plans and surveys:—	
Warren H. Manning	$44 60
Grading and seeding:—	
Cenedella & Co., labor	504 75
George A. Draper, gravel	21 80
Draper Co., labor and material	18 14
Clark Ellis & Sons	2 50
Fertilizer:—	
Clark Ellis & Sons	149 00
J. F. Haskell	3 00
Bath house:—	
J. M. French & Son, sand	10 00
Milford Water Co., water	10 00
H. D. Bowker, supplies	15 50
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	2 50
Pay roll:—	
E. D. Bancroft, Treas	$1,421 86

Tools:—		
Clark Ellis & Sons	36 13	
Frost Insecticide Co., pump	4 00	
Incidentals:—		
Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries	24 05	
Adams Express	2 35	
J. F. Haskell, teaming	15 00	
J. M. French & Son, mowing	42 35	
W. C. Tewksbury, electrical work	1 58	
E. D. Bancroft, Treas., sundries	23 45	
Draper Company, labor and materials	21 20	
J. F. Powers, teaming	79 65	
Northrup, King & Co., seed	11 00	
Milford Journal Co., printing	15 25	
Howes & Howes, bird feed	40 81	
Mass. Fish & Game Pro. Assn.	10 00	
John L. Mead, bird feed	3 90	
Wright & Ditson, supplies	69 70	
Thos. Groom & Co., order book	14 00	
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies	3 00	
H. L. Patrick, sundries	10	
Dillon Bros., labor and materials	15 18	
Milford Water Co., water	10 00	
Frost Insecticide Co., oil	5 50	
Nelson L. Huff, sharpening lawn mowers	2 00	
Arthur E. Nelson, sawing wood	26 60	
Adin Street Lot, see special report	141 69	
Balance unexpended	93	
	$2,823 07	$2,823 07

ADIN STREET LOT.

Balance on hand from 1908	$3 33
Interest, 1909	75 00
General fund	141 69

PARK FOOT PATH—ICE STORM, 1909.

ORDERS DRAWN ON THE TOWN TREASURER.

Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer.....	$24 80	
Clark Ellis & Sons, fence.....	66 27	
Draper Company, labor.....	13 70	
Cenedella & Co., stone steps.....	67 65	
Eldredge & Son, painting iron railing..	1 50	
J. M. French & Son, mowing.....	7 65	
Pay roll.....	38 45	
	$220 02	$220 02

The Park Commissioners submit herewith their Eleventh Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1909.

During the past year the Bath House and Play Ground were in almost constant use during the proper seasons, and the Park territory surrounding the pond, through which we have several miles of foot paths, was also used more than ever before.

The Bath House shows a record of 5,704 total number of baths, of which 691 were of women and girls. The largest number in any one day of men and boys was 137, and of women and girls, 51.

Feed for the game and song birds was furnished through the winter by the Park Superintendent, and has done much to save the lives of the birds and to attract them to this territory.

Mr. Durgin was appointed by the Selectmen, Superintendent of work in suppressing the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, and gave several days time during the season to this problem. Additional work was also done as usual in suppressing mosquitoes.

The Ninth Annual Field Day of the Draper Company Employees was held August 14th, and was attended with the usual success, both in the way of the large crowds of spectators and high quality of the sports provided.

The largest special items of expense during the year cover regrading and new layout of the base ball diamond, and new path and steps, with guard rail, through the Adin Street Lot.

The Adin Street Lot improvements called for quite an item from the general appropriation beyond the credit in the hands of the Town Treasurer from the special fund for care.

The illustrations of points along the foot paths through the Park territory in this town report we think will be of interest, and several of them taken during the ice storm in 1909 are worth preserving in our reports.

We recommend the usual appropriation of $2,500 for the coming year.

CHARLES F. ROPER,

GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,

FRANK J. DUTCHER,

Park Commissioners.

PARK FOOT PATH—PINES, ICE STORM, 1909.

PARK FOOT PATH—BIRCHES, ICE STORM, 1909.

Twenty-fourth Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1909.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary..... 1910

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER..... 1911

HOWARD W. BRACKEN, Chairman..... 1912

F. G. ATWELL, Superintendent.

[Office hours: Dutcher street building, Thursdays, 3 to 5.]

TRUANT OFFICERS.

F. G. ATWELL, WARREN F. GASKILL

H. B. LEONARD, C. C. DOWNING.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 16.

F. G. ATWELL.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of School Department.

General Appropriation	$15,000 00
Tuition	32 00
Lecture	19 55
Supplies and materials sold	6 86

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Teaching:—		
Hopedale, including High School	$8,371 50	
South Hopedale	734 40	
Care of Buildings:—		
Hopedale	1,207 07	
South Hopedale	48 95	
Fuel:—		
Hopedale	1,394 95	
South Hopedale	29 00	
Text books and supplies	845 13	
Supervision:—		
F. G. Atwell	566 60	
Improvements:—		
Hopedale:		
E. E. Babb & Co., desks	61 20	
H. C. Hansen Type Fdry. Co., printing outfit	84 60	
Golding Mfg. Co., printing press	132 35	

Repairs:—	
Hopedale:	
H. H. Lent, carpentry.....	37 17
Eldredge & Son, labor and material	15 11
Draper Company, labor and material	50 91
H. B. Smith Co., supplies.....	4 55
Clark Ellis & Sons, plumbing....	100 00
Dillon Bros., labor.....	8 50
South Hopedale:	
T. E. Morse Co., painting.....	41 50
H. H. Lent, carpentry.....	94 74
W. C. Tewksbury, labor.....	7 28
George Lawley & Son Corpn., flag pole fittings.....	3 50
Transportation—	
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.....	155 00
Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket St. Ry. Co.....	120 00
School Physician:—	
M. W. Knight, M. D.....	20 00
Incidentals:—	
Warren F. Kneeland.....	20
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies.....	16 47
Milford Journal Co., printing.....	53 80
F. G. Atwell, sundries.....	78 44
Milford Water Co., water.....	70 86
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies.....	18 40
Avery & Woodbury Co., supplies....	17 50
C. H. Stoelting Co., scientific apparatus	25 16
Draper Co., supplies.....	37 41
Remick Furniture Co., sundries.....	3 50
Town of Hopedale, rent of Town Hall	30 00

E. D. Bancroft, Treas., boiler insurance	42 50	
W. C. Tewksbury, electrical work	5 60	
S. B. Lyon, tuning pianos	7 50	
H. E. Brown, electrical work	26 30	
William E. Whitney, repairing clock	16 00	
H. C. White Co., supplies	28 10	
Wm. C. Ramsay, high school diplomas	30 00	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., supplies	110 69	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teaming	4 50	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas	20 96	
Grafton & Upton R. R., freight	8 68	
J. J. Gibbs, Ph. G., chemistry supplies	73 11	
John K. Fenner, sundries	7 23	
F. W. Martin Co., filling diplomas	2 00	
Brewer & Co., supplies	18 04	
Whitall-Tatum Co., chemistry outfit	54 15	
Chandler & Barber, drawing materials	28 89	
Davoren's Express, carting	2 54	
H. L. Frost & Co., spraying & pruning	30 55	
George W. Green, brushes	43 35	
Howes & Howes, supplies	7 47	
Balance unexpended	4 50	
	$15,058 41	$15,058 41

HIGH SCHOOL LOT.

Appropriation	$500 00

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer, seed, etc	$29 41	
W. C. Tewksbury, setting flag pole	10 20	
Draper Company, grading, etc	12 05	
Balance unexpended	448 34	
	$500 00	$500 00

The above statement includes all bills belonging to the School Department, of which we have any knowledge, for the calendar year 1909.

We refer to the special report of the Superintendent in regard to the School work, changing teachers and other items of routine interest.

In view of the re-organization of the State Board of Education, and the fact that they will probably outline a plan for work in the line of industrial education in the near future, we have made no recommendation calling for any expenditure in this direction, feeling that it will be better to wait a little longer and work in harmony with the State administration.

We recommend for the coming school year an appropriation of $15,000 to cover all regular school expenses; also, that the sum of $450 unexpended on the High School Grounds be re-appropriated to cover certain work that ought to be done the coming season.

HOWARD W. BRACKEN,
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER.

School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of Hopedale:—

The sixteenth annual report of the superintendent of schools is herewith presented.

The work of the schools has moved smoothly forward without interruption from contagious diseases or other disturbing influences. The loss of good teachers is always regrettable, but certain to occur when Cupid or higher salaries bid for favor. At the close of the school year in June, four efficient and highly esteemed teachers resigned for one or the other of these two reasons. Two of them had the additional satisfaction of entering that Mecca of most New England teachers—the Metropolitan District. The resulting vacancies were filled by teachers of both experience and training, all of whom are maintaining the high degree of efficiency established by their predecessors.

Just before the schools opened in September, Miss Morse of the high school accepted a position paying a higher salary, with fewer subjects to teach, and those more to her taste. Miss Spaulding, whose reputation as a teacher was established in a neighboring town, was secured to fill the vacancy. Before the work of the high school was fairly organized for the year, it was found that an additional teacher would be necessary, and Miss Lucy Day was engaged for ten periods a week. With the teaching force thus strengthened, it has been possible to give more attention to the sciences and advanced mathematics.

The organization of vocational schools is not so simple a task as many supposed it to be three years ago. Nevertheless, various experiments are being tried, and much patient and earnest thought is being devoted to the subject. Definite and practicable plans will ultimately be evolved, but the smaller towns may save much time, energy, and expense by making haste slowly during this experimental stage.

Meanwhile many of our pupils are engaged in various lines of industrial activity which seem safe and sane regardless of what the final solution of the problem of industrial education may be. The ninth grade pupils have a typewriter which is available for use whenever they have time to devote to it. By the end of the year probably two-thirds of them will have acquired a fair working knowledge of the machine.

A printing outfit, costing about two hundred and fifty dollars, has been installed, and it is confidently expected that the results will justify the expenditure. Miss Smith has fitted herself to give instruction in the essentials of the art of printing, and the pupils, both boys and girls, are making fine progress. Both the printing and the typewriting tend to improve the work in English. They cultivate neatness, accuracy, and skill. They appeal to the mechanical tastes, especially of the boys. There is also a sense of the useful and a suggestion of business which may prove valuable as a seasoning for some of the more abstract subjects.

In the spring Miss Smith organized a group of pupils to carry on a flower mission garden. The plan and purpose were alike commendable, but none of us quite appreciated the magnitude of the undertaking. Nevertheless, many beautiful flowers were sent to the sick, both at home and in the Milford hospital as well as to other friends more remote. A food sale was held in the fall, which netted nearly forty dollars with which to carry on the work next season.

The division of basketry has done good work under the leadership of Miss Thayer. The occupation proved interesting and profitable. It was not easy to secure trained assistants for this kind of work, but Miss Thayer has since been giving instruction to a class of ladies, and it is understood that they have kindly consented to help her organize and conduct the work after the manner of the sewing class.

The sewing class was organized by a committee of ladies of which Mrs. Dutcher is chairman. This is the largest group of workers, comprising about sixty girls. Miss Edith Badger of the domestic science department of the Framingham Normal School was secured as instructor, and several ladies are very

kindly assisting in this work, each having immediate supervision of six or eight girls.

It seems to me a splendid beginning has been made in these various lines of industrial activity. I feel no conceit in saying this, for the credit is due to the teachers and to the ladies who have rendered such valuable assistance in organizing and carrying on the work.

The stamp savings system was introduced into the schools in June, and the results have been most gratifying. Two-thirds of all the children in the grades have stamp books, and have purchased stamps to the amount of $342.23. The net savings during five months now invested in stamps amounts to $181.37. In addition to this, 39 pupils have opened new savings bank accounts, and 35 have added to bank accounts previously opened. The children are not only encouraged to save, but they are taught to spend wisely.

A vital question with some people during the past year seems to have been whether or not our high school fits for college. The answer depends entirely upon what interpretation is placed upon the question. If a student enters the high school expecting to devote much of his time and most of his interest to sports and pleasures, he is not likely to be prepared for college at the end of four years. But on the other hand, if a pupil has done creditable work in the grades, and is willing to help himself by doing his part in the high school, he will find there all the assistance he needs to thoroughly prepare himself for college. In the last analysis, a student must fit himself for college if he is ever really fitted at all. No high school can do it for him, and no high school should be expected to.

There are young people who love knowledge and seek it from every source as naturally as plants grow toward the light. These should take a college course, if possible, and the high school should supply all necessary assistance in the way of equipment, courses of study, and instruction. Our high school has done all this. But there is a far larger class of young people who will never go to college. This is no reason, however, why they may not become eminently worthy and useful citizens, and these have claims

upon the high school equal, at least, to those of the former class—claims which should not be ignored either by the public or by the high school itself. It is quite as important that the majority be fitted for life as that the minority be fitted for college.

The kind and amount of work which a high school can do depends in a large measure upon the willingness of the student to help himself, and this in turn depends directly upon home influences. The student's time in school is almost wholly occupied in reciting. The amount of time left for study is surprisingly small—not much more than an hour a day on the average. It becomes imperative, therefore, for the student to prepare most of his lessons outside of school. A minimum of two hours per day of earnest, thoughtful home study is positively necessary to satisfactory work in the high school; many students will need more than two hours. It is hoped that all parents will recognize the importance of this matter of home study and insist upon it.

It may not be out of place to call attention to the expense of maintaining a high school. Our annual expense per pupil is approximately seventy-five dollars. Students of high school age have an average earning capacity of at least two hundred dollars per school year of forty weeks. Consequently the total annual expense to the family and the municipality is two hundred and seventy-five dollars per pupil, or eleven hundred dollars for the course. The cost of educating two children would purchase a very comfortable home. To the student who makes a wise use of his time and opportunities, a high school education is worth all it costs, and much more, but mere attendance upon a high school which does not result in a high school education is a very expensive luxury, especially to the family in modest circumstances. Such a family assumes a heavy burden to keep even one pupil in the high school for four years, and the responsibility resting upon the student is correspondingly great. To waste opportunities purchased at such a price and involving so much sacrifice amounts almost to an educational tragedy. But without regard to the circumstances of the family, high school education is so expensive at best that parents should unite with teachers and school officials in every effort to secure an adequate return in purposefulness,

industry, intelligence, and character. This idea of duty and definite responsibility applies with equal force to the higher grades.

The status of children in the home and in the social organization changes from generation to generation, but it is a little doubtful if it has even now been settled quite right. It is difficult to believe there ever was a time when children spoke only when spoken to, and yet the prevailing belief a hundred years ago was that children should be seen and not heard. In well governed families children really conformed to this doctrine, at least, in the presence of their elders. A reaction was natural, but reactions are likely to abound in feeling and to lack in thoughtfulness. The pendulum has now swung to the opposite extreme until in many instances children seem to exert the dominating influence in the household. The same attitude may appear in school and on the street.

The old treatment of children was severe and oppressive. The new is lax and over indulgent. It is hoped that a happy medium is near at hand when kindness and sympathy will be judiciously combined with intelligence, firmness, and a due regard for the child's permanent welfare as well as his immediate pleasure. His permanent welfare demands a good deal of effort on his own part. He must have recreation and pleasures, but he must also know what work is. He must acquire the power of concentrated attention and also a certain degree of fidelity and purposefulness.

These suggestions have been made with only one purpose in mind, and that is to secure unity of effort in promoting the moral and intellectual welfare of every pupil in town from the kindergarten to the senior class. They have been made with the deepest appreciation of the fine spirit, the kind words, and the hearty cooperation of all with whom my duties have brought me into contact.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. ATWELL,

Superintendent of Schools.

MUSIC TEACHER'S REPORT.

MR. F. G. ATWELL, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Dear Sir:—

No subject taught in the puplic schools is more capable of giving the child active, independent work than music, if rightly taught, and eminent educators, with remarkable unanimity, have welcomed it as an important part of the course of study.

It develops a love for the beautiful, cultivates exactness, serves as a relaxation, and awakens the emotional nature.

If music is to be a potent factor in the life of our great nation, and if we are to become a music loving people, its advancement is conditional largely upon the work in the public schools, which must steadily advance in the educational march of progress.

Since our last report, the pupils of the high school and the eighth and ninth grades, have assisted at local entertainments with gratifying success. The teachers, in their efforts to obtain the best results, have been most helpful, and they have accomplished much good work.

The interested attention of the pupils makes the music period one of pleasure, as well as profit.

Our attainment is still short of our ideal, but—"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again," and "Constantly striving to make our best, better," are worthy of consideration for teachers and pupils alike.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN E. WOOD,

Supervisor of Music.

DRAWING TEACHER'S REPORT,

Mr. F. G. Atwell, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

The work in drawing during the past year has followed along the lines of the plan as given in a previous report, with only such changes as necessarily come with progress.

An exhibition of pupils' work in Memorial Library, in December, gave a fair idea of what was accomplished during the fall months. Freehand paper cutting and representation of nature in color were emphasized in the lower grades; the use of pencil and brush in representing nature, the theory of color and the application of it and nature to design, were features of the upper grade and high school work.

I am grateful to the trustees of the library for the opportunity given for the exhibition, and also to the teachers for the ready assistance they gave in preparing for it.

HELEN LOUISE VARNEY,

Supervisor of Drawing.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Feb. 1, 1910.

MR. F. G. ATWELL, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

Six cases of truancy have required the services of the truant officers the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufacturers.

WARREN F. GASKILL,

Truant Officer.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1909.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	PREPARATION.
High,			
Principal,	John K. Fenner,	Sept., 1908.	Brown University.
1st Assistant,	Rachel E. Spaulding,	Sept., 1909.	Tufts College.
2nd Assistant,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
3rd Assistant,	Lucy Day,	Oct., 1909.	Smith College.
Dutcher street,			
Principal,	J. Angelina Smith,	Jan., 1900.	Framingham Normal.
Grade 8,	Bertha M. Rogers,	Sept., 1903.	Worcester Normal.
Grade 7,	Elizabeth Johnson,	Sept., 1909.	Smith College.
Grade 6,	Mary E. Folsom,	Sept., 1909.	Sanborn Seminary.
Grade 5,	Esther C. Hendricks,	Sept., 1909.	Worcester Normal.
Grade 4,	Harriet B. Thayer,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
Grade 3,	Mary A. Billings,	Sept., 1906.	Dean Academy.
Grade 2,	Edith I. Merriam,	Sept., 1905.	Hopedale High School.
Grade 1,	Mabel F. Andrew,	June, 1897.	Wheelock School.
Kindergarten,	Anna Woodbine,	Sept., 1909.	Perry Normal.
Assistant,	Sophia Greenwood,	Sept., 1908.	Hopedale High School.
South Hopedale,	Euphemia K. Potts,	Sept., 1907.	Hebron Academy.
Assistant,	Nina M. Burr,	Dec., 1909.	Framingham Normal.
Drawing,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
Music,	Lillian E. Wood,	Sept., 1899.	Private Instruction.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1909-1910.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Grades, 36 weeks,	Sept. 13, '09	Dec. 17, '09	Jan. 3, '10	Mar.25'10	Apr.11,'10	June 17
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks,	Sept. 7, '09	Dec. 17, '09	Jan. 3, '10	Apr. 1 '10	Apr.11,'10	June 17
High School, 40 weeks,	Sept, 7, '09	Dec. 24, '09	Jan. 3, '10	Apr. 1 '10	Apr.11,'10	June 24

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1910-1911.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Grades, 36 weeks,	Sept. 12, 1910	Dec. 16 '10	Jan. 2, 1911	Mar.24 '11	Apr.10'11	June 16
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks,	Sept. 6, 1910	Dec. 16 '10	Jan. 2, 1911	Mar.31 '11	Apr,10'11	June 16
High School, 40 weeks,	Sept. 6, 1910	Dec. 23 '10	Jan. 2, 1911	Mar.31 '11	Apr.10'11	June 23

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

ITEMS.	KINDERGARTEN.	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	GRADE IX.	HIGH SCHOOL.	SOUTH HOPEDALE	SUMMARY.
Total enrolment,	28	46	43	44	29	33	42	38	29	22	52	39	445
Average membership,	25.89	41.42	37.19	38.81	25.11	31.78	41.13	37	30.48	22.36	43.77	35.72	410.66
Average daily attendance,	22.45	37.61	35.21	37.38	24.07	29.83	39.34	34.98	28.14	20.90	46.38	31.99	388.28
Per cent. of attendance,	86.44	90.80	94.68	96.31	95.61	93.80	95.40	94.54	92.32	93.91	94.38	89.49	94.55
Total days of absence,	561	668	342	244	179	330	333	391	403	285	492	600	4828
Cases of tardiness,	16	20	11	11	14	38	9	4	25	21	107	69	345
Cases of dismissal,	1	10	3	2	5	21	37	21	36	25	1	34	196
Cases of truancy,	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	11
Cases of corporal punishment,	3	1	0	0	7	4	1	0	1	0	0	3	20
Visits by superintendent,	10	13	12	18	14	24	19	13	25	36	21	16	221
Visits by school physician,	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	8
Visits by others,	44	47	31	93	30	12	38	5	9	8	27	68	412
Number under 5 years of age,	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25
Number between 5 and 15,	4	46	43	44	29	33	41	38	26	15	7	38	364
Number over 15,	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	7	45	0	56
Number between 7 and 14,	0	7	25	43	29	33	42	35	18	7	0	31	270

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Number of children in town between 5 and 15.	176	178	354
Number of children in town between 7 and 14.	132	134	266
Population of town May 1, 1909, ...			1988
Ratio of children between 5 and 15 to total population,			.178

ROLL OF HONOR.

Hopedale Public Schools, 1908-9.

TWENTY-ONE TERMS.

High School—Harriet Durgin.

EIGHTEEN TERMS.

Grade VI—Vincent Fagan.

SEVENTEEN TERMS.

High School—Raymond Sadler.

FIFTEEN TERMS.

Grade V—Freeman Shepherd.
Grade IV—Beatrice Fagan.

TWELVE TERMS.

Grade III—George Fagan.

NINE TERMS.

Grade V—George Nichols.
Grade IV—Clyde Saunders.

EIGHT TERMS.

Grade II—Anna Fagan.

SEVEN TERMS.

Grade VI—George Shepherd.

SIX TERMS.

Grade IX—Elbert Marso.

FIVE TERMS.

Grade IX—Carrie Durgin.
Grade V—Stanley McCaslin.
Grade IV—Earl Spaulding.
Grade III—Judson Goodnow.

FOUR TERMS.

Grade VII—Raymond Piper.
Grade VI—Gwendolyn Beal.
Grade III—Madeline Farrington.

THREE TERMS.

Grade IX—Marion Tarbox.
Grade VIII—John Kearsley, Edith Smith.
Grade VII—Donald McCaslin.
Grade VI—Gertrude Johnson.
Grade IV—Henry Osgood, Russell Chandler.
Grade III—Harold Gilmore, Cecelia Martin, Lois Metcalf, Ethel Metcalf.
Kindergarten—Rebecca Freethey, Kenneth Lane.
South Hopedale—Ruth Albee, Lois Albee.

FALL AND WINTER TERMS.

High School—Gordon Andrew.
Grade V—Stanley McCaslin.

FALL AND SPRING TERMS.

High School—Malcolm Burnham.
Grade VIII—Marion Fisher.
Grade VII—Mortimer Dennett, Harold Spaulding.

Grade VI—Bessie Booth, Raymond Fletcher, Mary Monahan.

Grade V—Manford Sweet.

Grade IV—Earl Spaulding.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

High School—Edgar Markham.

Grade VII—Harold Day.

Grade VI—Hazel Buzzell, Frank Deiana.

Grade IV—Marshall Day.

Grade III—Thurlow Burbank.

Grade II—Charles Hattersley.

South Hopedale—Harriet Albee, Hazel Albee, Hester Nelson.

FALL TERM.

High School—Frank Bromley, Franklin Clark.

Grade IX—Herbert Bull, John Manuel, Harry Searles.

Grade VIII—Albert Bottomly, Rachel Nelson.

Grade VII—Margaret Dillon, Lillian Fletcher, Gladys Galloway, Pearl Sweet.

Grade VI—Dorothy Atwell, Spencer Buzzell, Harland Gaskill, Gertrude Spaulding.

Grade V—Bernice Davis, Jennie Sears, Fred Sears.

Grade IV—Raymond Whitney.

Grade III—Mildred Gaskill, Newman Lane, Francis Markham, Frances Osgood, George Quimby.

Grade II—Narry Daige, Walter Thomas, Ruby Freethey.

Kindergarten—Cynthia Sears, Arthur Siddons.

WINTER TERM.

High School—Harold Jordon.

Grade VII—William Northrop, Samuel Piper.

Grade VI—Goldie Gilmore, Raphael Markham.

Grade V—Albert Andrew.
Grade III—Roland Lowe, Helen Monehan.
Grade II—William Osborne, Muriel Tucker.
Grade I—Francis Martin.
Kindergarten—George Daige.
South Hopedale—Hilda Chilson.

SPRING TERM.

High School—Charles Dion, Grace Thayer.

Grade VIII—Harold Atwell, Thurston Carlson, John Chandler, Winburn Dennett, Ruth Leonard, Frank O'Neil, Marjorie Rockwood.

Grade VII—Harry Davis, Walter Miller.

Grade VI—Viva Coxon, Gladys Davis, Arthur Rockwood.

Grade V—Harold Durgin, Alice Gaffney, Helena Hattersley, Kenneth Sherman, Lillian Tempest.

Grade IV—May Crawford, Harold Presho, Bertha Tillotson, Clifton Tracy, Wilfred Whitney.

Grade III—Mary Ball, Bessie Gaffney, Jessie Leonard, Fred Phipps, Glenroy Wright.

Grade II—Chesa Deiana, Mildred Gilmore, Fred Bagnoli, Fred Fitzgerald, Willie Gleason, Vera Martin, Lillian Martin.

Grade I—Frank Mellen, John Shepherd, Ruth Burbank, Alice Newell.

Kindergarten—Dana Fitzgerald.

South Hopedale—Ruth Hartman, Ernest Holbrook, Elsie Jenks, George Stusse.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL

COMMENCEMENT OF

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL,

HOPEDALE, MASS.,

Thursday Evening, June 24, 1909.

Overture and March.....

MISS GREENWOOD.

Invocation .....

REV. FRED R. LEWIS.

Singing, "The Lord is Great," *Mendelssohn*

HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS.

Address, "Personality,".....

PROFESSOR WALTER BALLOU JACOBS, Brown University.

Singing—(a) "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep".....*Knight*

(b) "Angels' Song".....*Braga*

HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

Singing—(a) " 'Tis Morn ".....*Geibel*

(b) "King of the Forest Am I".....*Parker*

(c) Class Song.....

HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS.

GRADUATES.

Latin Course.

MARION HASKELL WELCH, Secretary.

English Course.

CLARENCE ELMER DAMON, ARTHUR DUDLEY DURGIN, Pres.,
SALLIE HARDING, NORMAN SARGENT HENRY,
ELIZABETH ALMANDA NOYES, Treas., VIOLA EMELYN TRACY,
HAROLD ROSCOE SMITH, Vice President.

Class Colors—Violet and Gold.
Class Flower—White Carnation.
Class Motto—"Charrier Droit."

Twenty-fourth Annual Report

—OF THE—

Bancroft Memorial Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1909.

TRUSTEES.

ANNA M. BANCROFT, Chairman,	Term expires 1911
FRANK H. FRENCH,	Term expires 1910
EDWARD L. OSGOOD,	Term expires 1912

LIBRARIAN AND SECRETARY FOR THE TRUSTEES.

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

ASSISTANTS.

LUCY E. DAY, IRENE KELLOGG,

FLORA MESSINGER.

JANITOR.

F. A. SPAULDING.

The trustees wish to impress upon the inhabitants of the town that a public library is the proper place in which to deposit any manuscript or printed matter of any kind, whether book, pamphlet, report, notice, poster, handbill or newspaper, that contains any direct or indirect reference to Hopedale. If each citizen will bear this in mind, and do his share in the matter, the library will eventually contain a more complete history of our town than can be made in any other way.

The trustees will furthermore welcome any suggestion that will in any way increase the usefulness of the library.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The trustees of the Bancroft Memorial Library respectfully submit the twenty-fourth annual report, and the tenth from the new building.

After eleven years of faithful, devoted, and most efficient service, our librarian was granted, because of illness, a leave of absence, but she was retained as consulting librarian. We were most fortunate in securing Miss Lucy Day as librarian, a young lady of our own town, who had assisted in the library work in previous years, and whose natural ability and excellent education made her well fitted to keep our work up to the usual high standard.

The librarian is greatly aided by the faithful work of the janitor, through his ability to take the charge of the desk in her absence, and in various other ways.

The change in electric lighting has been very satisfactory. Not only has the decrease in expense almost paid for the cost of alteration, but a brighter and more pleasant light has resulted.

For several years the purchase of a fire-proof safe in which to keep the important records and papers of the library, has been under consideration, and this year an excellent Herring-Hall-Marvin has been installed. Perhaps the importance of this step may be more clearly seen when it is remembered that this is the only sure way of preserving an account of the number and value of the books in the library.

The stack ordered last year has fully proved the need of it by the fact that it is already well filled, and the extra breathing space in the history alcove is much appreciated by the librarian.

Through the generosity of the donor of this building a thousand dollars has been added to the Bancroft Fund, increasing

still further the library's, and through the library, the town's debt of gratitude to Mr. Joseph B. Bancroft. This fund is used in purchasing expensive scientific and standard works, luxuries which would otherwise be out of the reach of the library, and is thus the source of growing enjoyment and use to our townspeople.

ANNA M. BANCROFT,
FRANK H. FRENCH,
EDWARD L. OSGOOD,

Trustees of the Bancroft Memorial Library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The librarian respectfully submits the third annual report:

Circulation.

The library has been open 302 days for the circulation of books, with an average of 74 books each day. The largest circulation of any one day was 209 books on March 7, which is the greatest number on any one day in the history of the library, the smallest, 21 books, on August 20.

Although the total circulation, 22,563 volumes, is the largest in the library's existence, it outnumbers that of last year by only twelve books. The per cent. of fiction drawn, 71, is slightly less than last year, and the per cent. of one week fiction has decreased greatly from 45 to 28. This is probably to be accounted for by the fact that an effort has been made to place in the library the books filling up the gaps in the printed fiction catalogues purchased last year, which seem, by their growing use, to amply justify their existence. As these lists were very carefully selected, the library has thus increased its fiction by older and standard books, rather than by newer and more ephemeral.

Reading Room.

The reading room has been open 302 days, with 8,801 visitors, an average of 29 each day. Beside the daily opening, on the 21 Sunday afternoons there have been 173 readers, an average of 8 each Sunday. Though the total numbers of the daily and Sunday use of the reading room are smaller than last year, the average each day remains the same, owing to the fact that

the library was open fewer days. The same thing may be noticed in the number of men using the reading room, 2,687, a record which shows that the proportion is practically constant from year to year.

Books.

According to the accession book, the library contained 12,683 volumes, on Dec. 31, 1909. This simply means that the library has possessed these books in the course of its history, but as many volumes have been withdrawn when worn out, or discarded for other reasons, this does not accurately represent the number of books now in the library. As the count was established last year, as the result of the careful numbering of ten years, we can confidently give the figures in each class, and also as a whole, as 9,984.

Government Documents.

Some progress has been made with the government documents. A further clearing out of 60 volumes has been made, and various small sets, and odd volumes have been placed in the rank and file of our government documents. Most important of these is probably the abridged set of

Messages and papers of the Presidents, 1789-1902. 11 v.

Smithsonian Institution. Bureau of Ethnology—Annual reports. 5 v.

U. S. Department of Agriculture—Special reports. 5 v.

American Historical Association—Reports. 4 v.

Seventeen volumes have been secured, partially completing the library's set of the Official Gazette of the Patent Office. The current numbers have been added to this set, as to the full sets of government documents in the library.

Work with the Schools.

The South Hopedale school has been supplied with books for use there. Special lists of reading were prepared for the school children, (for the summer vacation.) To make the literary way a little more flowery, each set of 5 books on a given subject began with a story, and led on gradually to the more difficult reading. At the completion of a course, the student was given a certificate showing the work done, and with a picture of the library at the top. The reading was gallantly attacked, but only ten boys and girls fought through their whole course, and won their certificates. Doubtless, this number will be increased another year, and we may say with confidence that the number of children using the library grows larger every year, and their choice of books better.

Local History.

Miss Grace Dutcher has contributed 54 numbers of Our Church Home to the library's collection, but our file is still incomplete.

Exhibits.

The Library Art Club has sent us the following 12 exhibits: Florence; Amiens; Audobon's prints; Contemporary Art; Famous pictures; Florence No. 3; Corot; England, Lake District; Italy, rise of architecture; Florence, No. 5; Babies in art; One hundred eminent men of all time.

The work of the schools in drawing was exhibited through the month of December. This exhibition was prolonged as it proved so pleasant and interesting, both to the scholars themselves, and to their parents and friends. The bright colors made the library take on a festival appearance, particularly appropriate for the Christmas season. Though the exhibit as a whole reflected great credit on students and teacher, the work in design was particularly noteworthy.

Lucy E. Day,
Librarian.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1909.

Receipts:—

Appropriation	$2,800.00	
Proceeds dog tax	194.69	
Fines, etc.	82.19	
Books sold	48.66	
Interest on Bancroft fund	40.00	
Gen. Draper money	7.51	
		$3,173.05

Expenditures:—

Books:—			
Appropriation	$497.18		
Interest Bancroft fund	40.00		
Gen. Draper money	7.51		
		$ 544.69	
Periodicals		140.05	
Binding		167.23	
Salaries		1406.33	
Lighting		173.04	
Heating		217.50	
Supplies		72.06	
Printing		6.50	
Express		26.16	
Water		38.44	
Labor		2.30	
Library Art Club		6.00	
Travelling expenses		24.00	
Slating roof		65.25	
Repairs, building		21.31	
Repairs, fountain		5.69	
Safe (new)		70.00	
Electric Heater, (new)		12.00	
Charging desk, and chair		50.00	
Tinting, etc.		123.50	
			$3,173.05

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading Room	
	1908	1909	1908	1909
January,	2,095	2,221	938	796
February,	1,998	2,081	796	707
March,	2,126	2,214	864	977
April,	1,963	1,917	767	830
May,	1,699	1,790	672	809
June,	1,532	1,578	624	629
July,	1.480	1,493	639	574
August,	1,501	1,396	675	589
September,	1,845	1,800	710	689
October,	2,091	1,973	743	633
November,	2,184	2,192	723	802
December,	2,037	1,908	1,050	766
	22,551	22,563	9,201	8,801

Sunday visitors to reading room	173
Total number of visitors to reading room	8,974
Card-holders	1,232
Card-holders registered in 1909	190
Cards, withdrawn, 1909	163
Volumes in library, accession book	12,683
Volumes in library by actual count	9,984
Volumes withdrawn	61
Volumes bound	246
Added during year:—	
By purchase, new	357
By purchase, to replace worn copies	20
By binding	47
By gift	16
By gift, U. S. Government	29
By gift, Mass. state government	6
	475

Per cent. of fiction circulated, 71.

Fines, $78.25.

GROWTH, SIZE, AND USE OF LIBRARY, 1909.

	Volumes Added During Year.	†Total Volumes in Circulating Department at End of Year.	Volumes Circulated During Year.
Fiction	141	3,221	16,075
Juvenile Fiction	16	617	*3,688
Juvenile classed	22	153	*1,372
Bibliography	0	17	
Periodicals	41	1137	2,455
Philosophy	11	123	116
Religion	8	229	120
Sociology	31	310	173
Philology	4	15	10
Natural Science	15	291	373
Useful Arts	28	408	570
Fine Arts	17	249	456
Literature	26	895	687
Travel	25	572	512
Biography	24	541	451
History	18	681	565
	427	9,459	22,563
Reference	5	444	
Curiosities	0	81	
	432	9,984	

*Included in general circulation.

†Through an error, the figures in this column were misstated slightly in the 1908 report, and should be as given below, minus the additions for 1909.

GIFTS.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Alvord, Rev. James.....	2		
Association for International Circulation.		18	
Bancroft, Miss A. M.....	1	1	1yr.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Boston Museum of Fine Arts			1yr.
Carnegie Hero Fund Commission		1	
Casson, H. N.	1		
Collins Memorial Committee	1		
Committee of British & Foreign Unitarian Association	1		
Dutcher, Mr. F. J.	31		
Dutcher, Miss Grace M.		54	
Henry, Mr. J. S.		1	
Indian Rights Association		1	
Lake Mohonk Conference		2	
Libraries:—			
Andover Public Library		1	
Baltimore, Enoch Pratt Free Library		1	
Boston Public Library		1	
Brockton Public Library		1	
Brookline Public Library		1	1yr.
Chelsea, Fitz Public Library		2	
Everett, Parlin Memorial Library		1	
Everett, Shute Memorial Library		1	
Grand Rapids Public Library		1	
Greenfield Public Library		1	
Holliston Public Library		1	
Hudson Public Library		1	
Lancaster Town Library		1	
Leominster Public Library		1	
Library of Congress		1	
Lynn Public Library		1	
Malden Public Library		1	
Natick, Morse Institute Library		1	
New Bedford Library		1	
Newton Free Library		1	
New York Public Library		1	
Peabody Institute Library		1	
Providence Public Library		1	

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Salem Public Library		1	
Southbridge Public Library		1	
Taunton Public Library		1	
Uxbridge Public Library		1	
Westborough Public Library		1	
Weymouth, Tufts Library		1	
Worcester Public Library		2	
Massachusetts, State of	23	3	
Milford Daily Journal			1 yr.
Milford Daily News			1 yr.
Milford Gazette			1 yr.
Moon, Mr. J. H.	1		
Raymond, Mr. G. L.	9		
Towle Manufacturing Co.	1		
Tufts College	1		
Our Dumb Animals			1 yr.
U. S. Government	23	21	

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(Those marked * are given.)

Weeklies.

American Machinist.
Christian Register.*
Electrical World and Engineer.
Harper's Weekly.
Illustrated London News.
Life.
Literary Digest.
Milford Gazette.*
Official Gazette.
Outlook.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Youth's Companion.

Monthlies.

American Advocate of Peace.*
American Homes and Gardens.
American Illustrated Magazine.
American Industries.*
Atlantic.
Bookman.
Century.
Children's Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Delineator.
Educational Review.
Engineering Magazine.

MONTHLIES—[Continued.]

Etude.
Everybody's Magazine.
Garden Magazine.
Good Housekeeping.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Bazar.
International Studio.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Library Journal.
Machinery.
Masters in Art.
Munsey.
Musician.
New England.
North American Review.
Nineteenth Century.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing.
Phonographic Review.
Photo-Era.
Popular Science Monthly.
Protectionist.*
Putnam's Monthly.
Reader's Guide to Periodicals.
Review of Reviews.
St. Nicholas.
Scribner's .
Suburban Life.
Success.
Woman's Home Companion.
World's Work.

SEMI-MONTHLY.

Dial.

QUARTERLIES.

Forum.
Technology Review.*

DAILIES.

Boston Herald.
Boston Evening Transcript.
New York Sun.
Milford Daily Journal.*
Milford Daily News.*

BOOKS BOUGHT WITH GEN. DRAPER MONEY.

Adams, J. H. Harper's machinery book for boys.
Audel's gas engine manual.
Paris, B. J. Care of automobiles.
Stoughton, Bradley. Metallurgy of steel and iron.
Williams, Archibald. How it is done.

BOOKS BOUGHT WITH THE BANCROFT FUND.

Eliot, George. Completing set begun last year. 12 v.
New International year book.
Webster's New International Dictionary.
Van Dyke, J. C. New New York.

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